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five men have drowned. The

search for survivors was inten-sive but has now been called

The trawler had been owned

by the Fleetwood seafood

company for five years.
It had been operating out of

most of the year fished out of Newlyn in Cornwall. All five

crew members were from the

Last night Mr Peter

Merrick, a director of the seafood company, said: "It had been the crew's intention

to land their catch at Fleet-wood this weekend and then

go home to spend Easter with their families. This is just

The trawler went down in conditions described by local

100 mph creating mountain-

ous seas. Visibility was severe-

Winds were gusting up to

coastguards as atrocious.

south-west of England.

devastating."

# Compromise offer on Land Rover

Mr Paul Channon, Secre-tary of State for Trade and industry, is expected to make a Commons statement next Tuesday, announcing a com-promise deal for British Ley-land privatization under which General Motors take a substantial minority of the shares in Land Rover.

A full Commons debate has been pencilled in for Wednesday and although Mr John Taylor, Conservative MP for Solibull, yesterday gave warning of a "major revolt", ministers expect to be able to contain the rebellion and anickly bury the controversy with the rising of the House for Easter on Manndy Thursday.

A number of permutations

on the deal were yesterday being floated at Westminster but senior ministerial sources have emphasized that they were attempting to wrap Land Rover in the flag": ensuring that 51 per cent of the company was retained in British hands.

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One option would be for General Motors to take 49 per cent, with the residual holding being broken up between City institutions and the existing British Leyland. It would then he possible to float the residual BL holding later, with General Motors excluded from increasing its holding. Ministers yesterday maintained the bne that talks were still going on and that the BL board had not yet taken a

**Tomorrow** 

Mr Neil Kinnock yesterday yesterday and Mr Channon responded to reports that a deal had already been struck with General Motors by asking for a Commons assurance that the House would not be denied the promised opportunity for a debate and a vote on the recommended formula.

The Labour leader asked Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, if he could aliay justifiable anxiety by giving a promise that there would be no conclusive settlement of purchase by anyone or by an organization unless and until the House has debated and decided upon the course of events".

Mr Biffen said that time could be provided for a debate if a recommendation was delivered next week, "In any event," he added, "the Secre-tary of State for Trade and Industry will make a statement to the House before the House rises for the Easter

Two Conservative backbenchers with a constituency interest in the future of Land Rover and Leyland Trucks, Mr David Madel, MP for Bedfordshire South-West, and Mr Taylor, later intervened to emphasize that it might be better to hold off a decision until after Easter.

But ministers suggested last night that a debate on immigration procedures, scheduled for Wednesday, could give way to a BL debate.

The special cabinet committee on BL did not meet stop such a move.

## Popular approval for royal pairing

By Alan Hamilton

More than three-quarters of the public approve the pairing of Prince Andrew with Miss Sarah Ferguson, an opinion poll conducted yesterday by BBC Television's Breakfast

Time programme suggests.

In a survey of 500 homes, the poli found that 79 per cent of those questioned thought Miss Ferguson the right woman for the prince, with only 6 per cent disapproving. Frac-tionally fewer - three out of four - thought the prince was the right man for Miss

Prince Andrew emerged as the male member of the Ruyal Family that most women would like to marry, although more than one third of the women questioned admitted that no member of the family took their fancy.

Perhaps more significantly, 62 per cent believed that Mr Hectar Barrantes, Miss Ferguson's Argentinian step-father, should be invited to the wedding. More than half of those questioned believed that the press interfered too much in the couple's lives.

Nevertheless, the usual posse of photographers was lying in wait for Miss Ferguson when she arrived for work as usual at her Mayfair office

Deputy Assistant Commissioner Mr Juhn Crackvell, in charge of security at Scotland Yard, confirmed that Miss Ferguson's continuing attendance at work posed no particular security problems for the

For security reasons, Miss Ferguson has left her flat in



Miss Sarah Ferguson paused briefly on the doorstep of her office in London when she arrived back at work yesterday.

Palace.

Genealogists, meanwhile, have been beavering at the minutiae of the impending union. Mr Harold Brooks-Battersea, and is living in a Baker, of Burke's Peerage London royal residence, be-calculates that for the first calculates that for the first

lieved to be Kensington time since Queen Victoria's accession, a hunther of the Prince of Wales is marrying into a family in which the finture mather-in-law and father-in-law are divorced.

Royal reaction, page 2 Souvenir bonanza, page 3

# Reagan

#### loses rebel

From Michael Binyon Washington

aid vote

After ten bours of impassioned debate, the House of Representatives voted yester-day by 222 votes to 210 to reject President Reagan's \$100 million aid package to the Nicareguan rebels. It was a severe setback to Mr Reagan's Central America policy.

The vote came after an forceful appeal by Mr Thomas O'Neill the Speaker, who said it would inevitably lead to America sending its troops to Nicaragua. He also quoted Mr Denis Healey, the Labour Shadow Foreign Secretary. who said Mr Reagan's Nicaragua policy placed a heavy strain on the Western

Alliance. Only hours before the crucial vote the White House declared that President Reagan's last-minute compromise had won more supporters for his policy. The main elements of the

compromise were: If congress approved the plan, Mr Reagan would send Mr Philip Hahib, his special envoy, for urgent talks with

leaders of the Contadora peace process group.

● Immediate aid to the Contras would be limited to \$25 million. It would cover humanitarian assistance, Stinger missiles to combat Soviet-supplied helicopter

gunships, training, radio communications and intelligence • The balance of the aid would be given after 90 days unless there was "a serious internal dialogue in Nicaragua."

• The Administration would use \$2 million to support the Contadora peace process promoted by Mexico. Colombia, Venezuela and Panama.

 Mr Reagan would appoint a five-member, hipartizan commission to oversee the Sandinista Gov-ernment response to the call for talks.

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It also recommends that the

remaining anomalies should

be swept away in both England

and Scotland and the public,

rather than official boards,

should decide whether there is

## Trawler crew of five lost in Irish Sea

The five-man crew of a possibly as she was running trawler were all presumed to for shelter. have drowned last night after their vessel capsized in force 10 gales in the Irish Sea.

An air and sea search for the men was called off after the liferafts and the body of one crew member.

The vessel, the 98-tonne the port since January hut for Dawn Waters, left the Lancashire port of Fleetwood last Friday to fish for dover sole. Its owners, A M Seafoods of Fleetwood, last had contact with the skipper, Mr Louis

Ozard, on Tuesday when he radioed his intentions to put into Douglas, Isle of Man, yesterday to refuel. But at 9.17 am yesterday the

offshore supply ship British Enterprise V discovered the bows of the vessel bridging the surface of the sea 13 miles east of Douglas. Coastguards immediately

mounted a co-ordinated search with two RAF Sea King helicopters and lifeboats from Ramsey and Douglas. Com-mercial shipping in the area also joined in the operation. Shortly afterwards the

trawler's two liferafts and the body were found. But there was no trace of the other men. Mr Michael Hadley, coastguard spokesman on the Isle of Man, said last night:

There were force 10 gales in

the area overnight and we

assumed the vessel went down

because of the conditions,

ly hampered by driving rain and hail and the conditions affected the search. The coxwain of one of the lifeboats involved told coast-guards that he had experienced difficulty even seeing other vessels involved in the

operation because of the height of the seas. Throughout the day gales gusting up to force 8 battered the search area.

 Off the west coast of Scotland, hurricane winds caused Continued an page 2, col 6

## Lloyd's may get **EEC** bonanza

From Richard Owen, Luxembourg

of the European insurance prohibited by the treaty. market, from which Lloyd's and other British insurers stand to gain substantially.

Sir Gordon Slynn, Advocate-General at the European Court, said barriers erected against insurance companies by France, West Germany, Denmark, and Ireland breached the Treaty of Rome, which caters for the provision frontiers.

He was delivering an opin-Commission against the four non-life insurance. states.

The opinion concerned coinsurance - excluding life assurance - in which several insurance companies share a large commercial risk. In some EEC countries such as France and Germany the leading insurer, or main riskbearer, must be established in and authorized by the country

in which the risk is incurred.

The European Court of Justice yesterday look a hig "plainly a prima facie restriction on services," and was

The court is not obliged to follow the Advocate-General's opinion, but Sir Gordon is the senior advocate and his judgement will carry great weight. A final judgement is expected in

Lord Mackenzie Stuart, the President of the court, has expressed impatience with the slow dismantling of barriers to services and the refusal of several EEC states to ahide by ion on a case brought by the existing EEC directives on

Lloyd's conducts 10 per cent of its husiness in other EEC countries, and stands to gain a lot if it is able to penetrate the European S market

 City caution: A spokesman for Lloyd's welcomed the opinion, hut said hats would not be thrown in the air until the court found in favour.

Hooray for : : Hollywood :

Behind the Oscars how the stars get down to back-biting and infighting in the run-up to the Academy Awards

**Festivals** in Britain

What's on and where in 1986



The Times Portfolio daily competition prize of £2,000 was won yesterday by Mr M.C. Normington of Twickenham. Portfolio list, page 26; how to play, information ser-

#### One dead in Paris blast

One person was killed and 21 injured - nine seriously when an explosion ripped through the ground floor of an arcade in the Champs Elystes, Paris, last night. Firemen said others were still trapped. Shortly after, police defused an explosive device at the Châtelet station in the city

Teachers' vote Scottish teachers have voted 8-1 in favour of a 15 per cent, two-year pay deal, according to preliminary ballot results.

#### Labour purge

A concerted national purge of Militant Tendency supporters is being planned by leading Labour right-wingers but party headquarters will not be Page 16

#### Date for D

The D prefix on vehicle registration plates will continue until October 1987, the Department of Transport announced. The August change time clashed with motor Page 2 dealers' holidays

The Queen opens Greater Manchester's new Exhibition Centre Ioday. A Special Report reviews this and other important redevelopment projects under way in the Pages 23-25 North-west

#### Chirac is appointed and names ministers

From Diana Geddes

M Jacques Chirac was finally appointed Prime Minister of France late yesterday afternoon, two days after President Mitterrand had originally said he would make the

M Chirac, aged 53, leader of the Gaullist RPR party and Mayor of Paris, was previously Prime Minister from 1974-1976 under President Giscard d'Estaing. He becomes the tenth Prime Minister of the Fifth Republic and the first Minister of Prime

cohabitation" The delay in bis nomination was largely caused by M Mitterrand's desire to see M Chirac's full list of proposed government ministers before the appointment.

While apparently agreeing that M Chirac should have a relatively free hand in the choice of most of his ministers, M Mitterrand insisted that he should have "some say" in appointments to the two key ministries of defence and foreign affairs, for which the President has specific responsibilities under the constitution. He turned down M Chirac's first proposals for

both posts. M Chirac has now appointed M Jean-Bernard Raimond aged 60, a career diplomat and at present French Ambassador to Moscow, as Foreign Minister; and M André Giraud, aged 60, a former vice-president of Renault and a former member of the French Atomic Energy ommission, Defence

Minister. The key post of Finance Minister, openly coveted by M Giscard, goes to M Eduard

Balladur, aged 55. In all, 14 full ministers and 23 junior ministers have been appointed. The first Cabinet meeting will be held, with President Mitterrand in the

chair, tomorrow. Dassanlt shock, page 7

## Lord Hailsham accused of 'illegal act' on defence fees

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

High Court proceedings in advance wi which barristers accused Lord reasonable. Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, of acting illegally in limiting their ices of 31 chief crown prosecutors for legally-aided defence work will take over responsibility to 5 per cent.

provided only the briefest report on negotiations at a 40-

minute meeting of the full

There is no cahinet meeting scheduled for next week and it is therefore probable that ap-

proval for a deal will be

sanctioned by Mrs Margaret Thatcher's team of ministers

Meanwhile, Mr Taylor con-

tinued to fight for a Land

Rover management buy-ont. He said in an interview on the

BBC radio World at One

programme that they had

streamlined the company and

put it back on the road to

profit. "They've done the hard bit, why lose out to a multina-

to General Motors won't go down in Solihull." If that was

the agreed package, he guessed that there would be a Conser-

vative backbench rebellion of

• While Mr David Andrews

and his group attempting a

management buy-ont of Land

Rover have made it clear they

are prepared to discuss some

involvement by General Mo-

tors they have set their face

against joining in a deal which

would give the American company clear management

control (Derek Harris writes).

in about two years and would

not want to see General

Motors to have the right to

They still look to a public flotation of Land Rover with-

between 35 and 50 MPs.

Mr Taylor said: "49 per cent

on the cabinet committee.

Cabinet

The Government is facing the mounting threat of widespread disruption to the Crown Prosecution Service, due to start in 10 days, by barristers who are equally angry over the failure of Sir Michael Havers, QC, Attorney General, to agree to their

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, chairman of the Bar, said yesterday that oo offer whatsoever had been made by the Government on fee levels for Crown Court prosecution

Barristers have overwhelmingly agreed that they should be free to refuse prosecution briefs from April I, when the

takeover bid for Distillers, the

Johnnie Walker whisky and

Gordons gin drinks group, despite fears that it will dam-

age competition in the British

drinks market.
Mr Geoffrey Pattie, the

industry minister, is expected

to announce the decision to-

day or Monday. The go-ahead

would come as a big blow to the rival Distillers bidder, Mr

James Gulliver's Argyll super-

market group.

The dispute between the Crown Prosecution Service is the Bar and hope that at the Bar of England and Wales and due to start in the six metro-the Government worsened politan areas outside London, yesterday with the start of unless they are "marked" in advance with a fee considered

employed under the network for prosecutions from the

police. But none, solicitors or barristers, will have rights of audience in crown courts.

extent in magistrates' courts, to supplement any shortfall in its own staff.

withdraw services. "We are negotiating with

Minister clears

Guinness bid

By Jeremy Warner, Business Correspondent

proceed with its £2.4 billion competition.

Guinness will be allowed to the effect of the merger on

whisky.

The original Guinness offer last bitter weeks of the take-for Distillers was referred to over fight. Both sides are said

clear for Argyll. But the brew- much smaller than Distillers

ing and retailing group then and have staked much of their

came up with a scheme to corporate credibility and fu-

The 1,500 salaried lawyers

Law Report, page 5

The service will therefore rely totally on the services of the private profession in crown courts, and to some

Sir Thomas Hetherington, OC. Director of Public Prosecutions, who will head the new service, said he was concerned about the barristers' threat to

positinn is that if we have not got barristers there, there is a real problem," he said. Lord Hailsham was yesterday accused of acting breach of his statutory duty in limiting barristers' fees for criminal legal aid defence work to 5 per cent.

Mr Sydney Kentridge, QC, told Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, and two other judges, that Lord Hailsham had not carried out his duty to set "fair and reasonable rates under the Legal Aid Act 1974. He had also failed to negotiate on a claim for rises of between

30 to 40 per cent. Although the Bar had repeatedly tried to seek meetings with officials to discuss the claim, based on a report by Coopers and Lybrand, none was arranged and they had suddenly heard in Fehruary that the rise would be a routine one to cover inflation.

above 1,400.

on the day of over a cent. last night gearing up for the The Nationwide: Britannia and Leeds Permanent huildthe Monopolies and Mergers to have higher bids waiting in Commission, leaving the field the wings. The two hidders are ing societies fell into line with Wednesday's 0.75 point cut in mortgage rates by the Abbey National and Halifax.

The Financial Times 30-

to 1415.1, a record, and the first time the index has been The pound rose above \$1.50

# down

given added zest by Tuesday's Budget, continued yesterday, while more building societies cut mortgage rates (David Smith, Economics Correspondent, writes).

yesterday morning, before set-tling back to \$1.4880, a gain

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## Shares up, mortgages

The boom in share prices,

share index rose by 25.6 points

Market Report, page 19



Why settle for second best when you can own the Beverley sofa, a stylish 2-seater which converts to a 5-seater-or even a single bed-in a trice?

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#### quell government fears about tures on a successful ontcome. Leading article, page 13 Scots drink law held up as model for England

This involves selling five of

the combined group's Scotch

whisky brands, including Haig and Buchanan. Stock market

sources said Distillers is close

to selling the brands to Lourho, Mr Roland "Tiny"

Rowland's international trad-

ing combine which already

Guinness and Argyll were

Whyte & Mackay

Alcoholism and drink-driving convictions have fallen significantly in Scotland during the past decade since the introduction of more relaxed licensing laws, according to a report published yesterday.

The report, Time to Call Time, by the Adam Smith Institute, an independent research unit, says if England copied Scotland's example, there would be less alcohol

"England's archaic licens-

ing laws are also holding back

expansion and inhibiting the

thriving tourism industry," a

spokesman for the institute

said in London yesterday.

Since opening hours were extended in Scotland in 1976, the traditional "beat the clock" attitude to drinking has diminished considerably, the report found During the first four years of

the reforms, drink-driving convictions increased in Scotland by only 1.2 per cent, compared with 36 per cent in England and Wales. Violent assaults roseby 16.7 per cent, compared with

43.8 per cent in England and Wales. The report also found under-age drinking fell by 18.6 per cent in the four years up until 1980, compared with a

rise of more than 23 per cent in England and Wales. Convic-13.6 per cent during 1976 to 1981, compared with a rise of 13.1 per cent elsewhere. Since 1980 convictions for the UK average of £2.21. drunkenness in Scotland have

also continued to fall, from 13,950 to only 6,581 in 1984. A study by Dr John Eagles and Dr Juhn Besson, published in the British Medical Journal of Psychiatry last November, showed there had also been a remarkable drop in the number of men admitted to general hospitals in the Grampian region with alcohol-relat-

ed problems.

The report says a survey on regional trends in drinking in tions for drunkenness fell by Britain found that in 1974 the average Scottish family spent 11 per cent more on drink (£2.46) a week compared with After the changes in the

> average Scottish family was now spending £6.43, against the UK average of £6.91 a week. The report recommends that licensing laws in England should be at least as liberal as those in Scotland, especially

tween 10 am and midnight.

sufficient demand for more licensed outlets. licensing laws, the pattern reversed, so that by 1983 the " In the light of the Scottish experience, there can be no reason for any further delays in introducing similar liberal licensing laws, proposed by the Erroll Committee, in En-

Time To Call Time (Adam relating to opening hours be-Smith Institute, PO Box 316. London SW1P 2JH; £7).

gland and Wales," the report

#### HOME NEWS

# Police have plans for 16 senior teams to deal with riots by summer

16 teams of specially-trained cope with the stralegy and tactics of effective riot

The training is taking place in . ooe-week residential courses at the Metropolitan Police's public order training centre near Heathrow Airport, and by the time the current series of courses is completed in June, 80 officers will have graduated. They range in rank from chief inspector to chief

superintendent The courses were a result of the Brixton and Tnttenham riots last year, which disclosed officers were criticized by junior ranks about the way the riot was handled.

Last year's rints have also led to a new evaluation of national training courses for officers at the rank of commander, deputy assistant rooms, which have been kitted

side the Libyan embassy in

who has agreed he

worked for the Libyan regime,

said: "I was told that when he

landed he was taken out and

hanged."
Gill, of Farnfield Road,

Great Tey, Colchester, has pleaded guilty to smuggling another Libyan, Mohammed

Shehli, to Tripoli hy private

plane. Shehli was awaiting

trial on drugs charges at a

Gill was giving evidence against Godfrey Shiner, aged 48, of Knapton-on-the-Hill, Warwickshire, who denies

conspiracy to pervert justice by assisting Shehli to escape to

l'ripoli. He is alleged to have

Mr Brian Leary, QC, for the

defence, suggested that Gill had taken "blood money"

from the Libyans for helping

Glenn Flear, the English

international master, agreed a

draw in his game against Boris

Spassky, the former world champion, to take the lead in the GLC Chess Challenge

Grand Master Tournament

of eight games at the Great Eastern Hotel, London, hav-

ing played his ninth round

game so that he can get married in Leicester

nanced the operation.

By Stewart Tendler commissioner and assistant out in a number of key chief constable, which are London stations during the Scotland Yard plans to have taking place at the Police Staff past few years. College at Bramshill, Hampsenior officers available across shire. Public order courses London by early summer to have been held at the college for some years but now senior officers are spending a day of their one-week course at Hounslow, watching the training of junior ranks and taking

part in their command. The Bramshill courses are reported to have placed fresh emphasis on ways of reducing tension before disorder by using local intermediaries and consultative groups. Senior officers are also being taught greater use of tension indicators that might give clues to

erupting disorder.
The new courses for middle new policing troubles. After and senior ranks in London the Tottenham riot, senior are intended to provide each and senior ranks in London of the eight police areas, into which the Metropolitan Police is divided, with two teams of five nfficers, ready to take command of a riot crisis. In such situations they

would move into control

grocer's shop in Doncaster had been used as a cover for

He agreed that the "grocer", Mohammed Abassi, had been

freed from jail in Pakistan as a

result of a hijack but did not

think he was a "terrorist".

Mr Leary was stopped by Judge Michael Underhill, QC,

when he suggested that Mr

Abassi had arranged for Mr

Arthur Scargill, the miners'

leader, and others to visit

Miss Ann Murphy, aged 24, Shehli's girlfriend in Britain, said she had no idea he was

leaving the country and was so

worried that she telephoned

the police when she thought

She said that she received a

phone call from Shehli later

telling her sbe would receive a

visit from a man who would

explain his disappearance,

The trial continues today.

He needs to score only 50

Half a point behind, out of

seven games, is Murray Chan-

dler, the British Grand Mas-

ter. Hungarian Grand Master

per cent in the remaining

games to ohtain his first

Grand Master norm.

and as a result she met Gill.

him to be "missing".

Libyan killer of

**WPC 'hanged'** 

The gunman who killed to keep watch on four exiles to WPC Yvnnne Fletcher outbe kidnapped and knew that

Anthony Gill, aged 50, a had been used as a cover for husinessman, had been asked if the killer had been treated as surveillance on Libyan exiles.

Chess draw gets Flear

to cnurcn on time

Flear now has 5½ points out Zoltan Ribli is in third place

on 4½ points.

From those control rooms, fitted with detailed maps of the areas and special radio links, the teams would manage the minute-by-minute details of a riot and the disposition of the police.

At Hounslow the courses teach officers how to use their resources and trained manpower in handling a riot. They can play out a table-top operation linked to a small computer, as well as learning about the use of the specialist riot weapons which the London police have. The centre can provide demonstrations in the use of plastic bullets and CS gas as well as the handling of

junior officers facing crowds. Apart from the senior offi-cers the centre, which has recently opened a full-scale mockup of a street layout for 5,000 London officers who provide man power for inflammable public order breaches.

#### **MEPs** join Wapping

From Richard Owen

boycott

April 1984 was hanged as soon hailed in Lihya as a as he returned to Libya, the Central Criminal Court heard tions. He also denied that a The Socialist Group of the European Parliament yester-day supported a call by the Labour Group of MEPs for a boycott of reporters from International

newspapers.

A statement from the group of 172 Socialist MEPs said that the group was joining a ban by the British Labour Party on News International reporters, and Mr Alf Lomas, leader of the Labour Group at Strasbourg, said he wanted Parliament to follow suit.

The Times and The Sunday Times both have correspondents covering EEC affairs, and The Sun newspaper also has several part-time

Mr Lomas, who represents London North-East, said that the Wapping dispute was "the most important industrial dispute since the miners' strike". He was writing to all 518 Euro MPs urging them to back the

Mr Lomas said that emloyers such as Mr Rupert Murdoch "must be shown that they cannot behave in this

outrageous way"." Seven men appeared at yesterday on charges arising from demonstrations outside the News International plant in Wapping, east London.

Richard Murphy, aged 21, a civil Servant, of Cossall are relying on consumers to inflict their own punishment, Walk, Peckham, south London, was fined £50 after being by shopping around for cheapfound guilty of obstructing the er petrol and eventually forchighway on Fehruary 1. ing the big companies to reduce their prices.

Anthony Attwood, aged 30, a printer, of Washington Road, Worcester Park, south London, elected trial charged with assaulting a police officer. One man was remanded and four others were bound



#### Princess praises engagement young man," she said." Miss

Princess Anne said yesterday she thought her brother Prince Andrew was "an extremely lucky.

young man."
She was visiting a gypsy site in west London as president of the Save the Children Fund when reporters sought her views on Prince Andrew's engagement to Miss Sarah Ferguson. "He is an extremely lucky

urges war

on petrol

By Our Political Reporter

The Prime Minister yester-day urged the independent oil

companies to engage in a price war with the larger firms such as Shell and BP who have

rejected the Chancellor's Bud-

get warning against passing on

the 7.5p increase to the

all-party Commons select

committee on energy why they have put np prices since the Budget. The committee is

carrying out an inquiry into

Speaking in the Commons,

The Government has ruled

out punitive action against the

petrol companies, at least for

the time being. But ministers

Ministers hope and believe that the crunch could come

over the Easter weekend,

when the independents could

make a killing at the expense

No-strike

of the larger companies:

harm.

Ferguson is a lovely, very beautiful girl."

Princess Anne spent an hour talking to 20 gypsy families, who have made their home on the council-backed plot, underneath the Westway flyover at Latymer Road, Hammersmith.

Save the Children has run a playgroup there since 1981 and during the visit many of the unit's youngsters bombarded the Princess with questions

It was Princess Anne's first visit to the site. The fund has worked with local authority officials there to improve the gypsies' access to health and education services. The princess also visited the

fund's southern headquarters in Shepherd's Bush.

## Thatcher £76m GLC payoff blocked by court

councils in the West Midlands

against spending plans by the doomed West Midlands

The case concerned the transfer of £800,000, allocated

£40 million to the Labour-

Lord Justice O'Connor said

extended into the new finan-

cial year. That did not mean

ways of extending them could

not have been devised, but the

framework in yesterday's case

did not meet the necessary

Five crew

day morning every rescue

A Danish vessel with a crew

The coastguards said the

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County Council

Three Court of Appeal judgment rejecting a claim by judges yesterday reversed a Conservative-controlled decision allowing the Greater councils in the West Midlands London Council to hand out £76 million for spending after its abolition. Mr Kenneth Livingstone, Labour leader of the council, said that it would

appeal to the Lords. The appeal decision means that the council will spend its Meanwhile the oil compa-oies are to be asked to tell the litigation. The GLC and the six English metropolitan county councils are due to disappear nntil midnight on Easter Monday, but they willeffectively stop working at the

the relationship between crude oil prices and the retail start of the Easter break. So, if the Lords rule in favour of the GLC after to be abolished but faces
Easter, there will be no GLC demands for spending faces Mrs Margaret Thatcher said left to benefit. Many of its the decision to put up prices spending powers will have had already done the oil passed to smaller councils. including those which won in

court yesterday. The ruling yesterday reverses a decision by Mr Justice Macpherson in the High Court on March 3 that GLC plans for spending worth £76 million were lawful.

The case was brought by Conservative councils in London which claimed that the GLC should not be allowed to award itself a "life after death" by handing out money for other bodies to spend after abolition.

But the Court of Appeal yesterday upheld a High Court

#### Fulham's missed targets

The Conservative and Alli-ince candidates in the Fullano

to Birmingham airport, to a general spending fund. The judges who overturned the But like the previous day, when an egg aimed at one of the parliamentary contestants missed and splattered two GLC decision said that the transfer of West Midlands money did not on its own have an adverse effect on local The GLC wanted to give controlled Inner London Edu-

wild" spending plans. He relied on a newspa the GLC had not fulfilled its boroughs that would inherit Mr John MacGregor, Chief many of its spending powers Secretary to the Treasury, that after abolition. Lord Justice Labour had made 28 separate spending commitments which Parker said it was impossible to agree that the council was would cost an extra £24 billion not trying to impose its will on

After being gently reminded that Mr Roy Hattersley. Shadow Chancellor, had point by point repudiated the minister's claim, Mr Carrington was asked to be specific and point to one wild plan. in a crucial passage that GLC powers to fund voluntary organizations could not be

Mr Roger Liddle, the SDP candidate who has appeared surprisingly auxious and nervons to date, fared slightly better, but not much, as he attempted to show that local rates would go through the roof if Labour gained control of Hammersmith and Falbam

Mr Nick Raynsford, the Labour man, brushed aside the criticisms. The constituency profile contained no pledges, costed or otherwise, which would be binding on a future Labour-run council.

look of a winner.

eral election: M. Stevens (C) 18,204; A. Powell (Lab) 13,415; D. Rendel (L/AII) 7,194; Miss J. Grimes (Eco) 277; R. Pearce (NF) 229; J. Kents (Ind.L) 102. C majority 4,789.

By Richard Evans Lobby Reporter

by-election yesterday followed the lead set by the local Egg Throwing Tendency and hurled statistics by the dozen at their common enemy.

missed and splattered two reporters near by, they were not altogether successful in hitting their intended target.

Mr. Matthew Carrington, the Conservative contestant, and the original target of the egg, certainly did little vestered by to inspire potential back-ers as he attacked Lahour's wild spending plans.

Lord Justice O'Connor said

wild" plan. "Let me see what I can dig up for you," he said, shuffling the papers in front of him. He dug up nothing.

Having raised the issue of public expenditure, he was asked the cost to the Exchequer of having more than three million people out of work. "I do not have a figure for that,"

Council in the May elections.

With a week of the by-election campaign over, Mr Raynsford appears to have the

# sexually assaulted a boy aged it has been submitted to the Director of Public Prosecutions. Sir Michael Havers, Attorney General, said in a

Commons written reply yes-Mr Geoffrey Dickens, Conough and Saddleworth, who supplied the name of the vicar to Sir Michael this week. hopes the Crown will take on the case. A private prosecu-

'D' plates

for cars this

August

the D car registration prefix which will be introduced in

Angust this year (selling, it is hoped, some 360,000 cars in that month alone) will contin-

ne to apply to new vehicle

registrations mutil October 1987.

The change is intended to smooth out the inconvenient

peak of demand which the

existing system conspired to bring about in August, just when motor dealers were most

like to abandon the show-rooms for holidays. In 1963 when the system of

a letter code to tag the date of

vehicles' first registration was introduced, it started with undeniable logic on January !.

That arrangement did not suit

the motor trade either. They soon complained that it meant

that their best selling time clashed with Christmas and

the worst weather.
So in 1967 the Government

agreed to move the change-

over date to August.
Latterly, although, the shortcomings of August have been increasingly evident. In

1981, 16.5 per cent of all new

cars were registered in August, in 1982, 19.4 per cent, and by

1983, when the system changed over from annual

suffixes to annual prefixes, the

proportion of new car registra-

tions in the first mouth of the

4-prefix had risen to

20.9 per cent.

British manufacturers com

plained that the system fa-

voired foreign imports. The

foreigners complained that the

One powerful lobby argued

that the system of date-coding

should be abandoned entirely,

but the police and consumer

protection organizations were

The system is also warmly regarded by the trade, which is

sure that it promotes extra car

sales. And the Government

collects more than £2 million

in transfer fees from motorists

to keep their right to cherished

number plates dating back to

**DPP** receives

report on vicar

A Humberside police report

on the vicar who allegedly

pre-date coding days.

strongly for its retention.

British system disrupted their

production schedules.

tion is being mounted. Court to rule on Goya today

Judgement will be given today in High Court proceedings to strike out an action by the Spanish government to prevent Goya's masterpiece, "La Marquesa de Santa Cruz", being auctioned at Christie's next month.

The painting has been sent for sale by Lord Wimborne's family trust, which acquired it in 1983. The Spanish government alleges that the Goya was taken out of Spain on false

#### Trial stopped by lateness

Judge Michael Argyle yesterday discharged the jury in a burglary case at the Central Criminal Court because defence counsel was 10 minutes

The jury left muttering angrily. One said: "What a waste of public money just because of 10 minutes." The case will be heard another day before a different jury.

#### **Pacemaker** man 'fine'

Mr John Evans, aged 108, a former miner who is Britain's oldest man, was "doing fine" in hospital yesterday after being fitted with a heart pacemaker.

Mr Evans, of Fforest-fach, Swansea, had the one and ahalf hour operation under local anaesthetic at the University Hospital of Wales in

#### Gas blast

March 18

Three people, including an off-duty policeman, were injured in a gas explosion which extensively damaged a house in Pimlico, London, last night.

Correction Floors Castle, Kelso, belongs to tire Duke of Roxburgh, not the Duke of Buccleuch, as stated on

Buying The Yimes' overracts
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#### fireman loses case One of seven firemen at

Rhyl, North Wales, who refused to join the 1977 national strike, lost a claim for unfair dismissal at a Colwyn Bay industrial tribunal yesterday. The hearing was told that Mr Brian Hodson, aged 38, of Merfyn Way, Rhyl, had been found a job as a countryside warden by Clwyd County Council after the dispute because strikers had refused to

work with non-strikers.

Mr Hodson claimed the council had unfairly dismissed him because it had failed to fulfil its promises and, by appointing a superinr in his department, had blocked his promotion prospects.

However, Mr John Bellis, the tribunal chairman, ruled that the council had acted reasonably in dismissing him because he had become obsessive and awkward

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

A view of the Bay of Naples

in about 1795 sold for £33,000

(estimate £10,000-£15,000) to

Partridge Fine Art at

Bonham's yesterday. It is more

than 8ft wide and packed with

accurate topographical detail.

his preparatory sketches from

a boat looking back to the

shore, for among the boats in

the foreground of the picture

is one with an artist sketching,

Bonham's attributed the

picture to Pietro Antoniani.

The reason for the price,

however, was its sheer decora-

tive quality.

accompanied by his friends.

The artist presumably made

#### Complaint on butter advert

complained to the Advertising Standards Authority about a new poster campaign which claims that there is "nothing more natural than butter".

may be added.

removed from natural grazing pasture. The advertisements, therefore, vaunt butter men-

#### The society observes that butter is a highly refined product and is concentrated fat. Substances such as salt Most calves are produced

Yields are maintained by the use of concentrate feeds far

# The Vegetarian Society has

by artificial insemination, another unnatural process. Modem livestock methods use

## lost from trawler

#### problems for shipping, cancel-

ling ferry and airline services and damaging buildings (Ronald Faux writes). Clyde coastguards at Gree-nock said that during yester-

team and piece of equipment they possessed was in use. Winds gusted to more than 100mph into the highest reaches of the Beaufort scale.

drugs and hormones of seven was in danger of extensively.

silver tree with agate bernes,

made the top price of the sale

at £25.300 (estimate £15.000-

£20,000). Other elaborate late

#### In the Cairngorms a gust of 153 mph was recorded. Little Cumbrae in the mouth of the Clyde.

ship was 300 yards offshore with a damaged rudder and daciously as "natural" and hanging by one anchor. should be withdrawn, it says. Forecast, pa Sale room

Fine view of Bay of Naples fetches £33,000 pictures scored a total of drinking horn at £4,070 (esti-£11,083 with 21 per cent left mate £2,500-£3,000) and a 19 inch tankard at £3,630 (esti-At Sotheby's the morning sale of nineteenth century mate £3,000-£4,000), both sprouting Gothic figures and

decorative arts was suffering decorative motifs. from a shortage of Continental The ceramics section was dealers and prices were less not as buoyant as usual with buoyant than usual. Both the some difficulty in selling Sevres - style vases. Only the ceramics and the silver sections were 17 per cent unsold. top - quality examples sold well;a pair of 16- inch cache-An ivory statue of a fisherpots, with good gilt-bronze mounts, made £9020 (estiman and his girl, seated on silver tree stumps beside a rock crystal pool, shaded by a

mate £4,000-£6,000). The Berlin plaques were the only consistently popular section, with a price of £4,620 (estimate £2,000-£3,0000) for nineteenth century German a plaque, painted by Carl

pieces included a 16 mch silver Schmidt with five scantily draped ladies, symbolizing the five senses.

Sotheby's sale of foreign coms made a total of £88,247, with 7 per cent left unsold. The highlights were all in the silver section. One of the famous pieces of eight a Mexican Philip V eight reales coin of 1733 secured £8.800 (estimate 1.000.100) from A H Baldwin, the London dealer.

It is one of the rare "pillar" variety: the design incorporates the pillars of Hercules flanking two crowned globes: This type was first issued in 1732 and the 1732 and 1733

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# Pay pharmacists less for dispensing, more for advice, reports says

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

High street chemists should works encourages smaller minor ailments, on taking be paid less for dispensing pharmacies to open as they are medicines and health medicines and more for providing advice and other services to patients and doctors, an inquiry into the future of pbarmacy recommended

Under the present system of duce prescribing levels and payment "advice brings the costs, while improving ehemist no return; the sale of medicine does", the report by an independent committee of inquiry set up by the Nuffield Foundation says. Chemists are placed under continual pressure by advertisements to sell particular medicines, not because they would best meet the patient's needs but because they carry a higher margin of profit".

paid more than larger ones for education. each prescription dispensed. It also encourages a search for new dispensing business, at the expense of time spent working with doctors to re-

less pay coming with less pay coming through dispensing, chemists should be paid extra for collaborating with family doctors to draw up locally agreed prescribing policies and in providing advice about side effects or potential dangerous interactions between draws. interactions between drugs.

There should be extra payments for advice to the public. The way in which payment with an area in each pharmacy for health service dispensing in which to provide advice on

## Failure to act on serious symptoms

Pharmacists are getting better at giving advice to the public, but one in four failed to tell patients to see a doctor immediately when told of symptoms that could have been signs of serious illne according to a survey by the Consumers' Associat

The survey, submitted to the Nuffield Inquiry, produced better results than a similar sarvey in 1975, the Consumers' Association said. But it showed that not all chemists were following the Pbarmacentical Society's guidance on questions that should be asked.

More than 200 chemists were presented with minor symptoms and potentially serious ones by the interviewers. -But just under half the phar-macists when faced with ous failed to ask appropriate questions. Of the four out of five who sold a medicine, two thirds failed to check if any

other medicine was being

symptoms, which included dreadful headaches lasting a week, serious indigestion lasting a month, and diarrhoea lasting three days, one in four chemists said the patient must see a doctor, one in four gave no such advice and the others mentioned it, although generally suggesting that should be done if symptoms persisted.

Medicines were sold on all

visits but some cost several times as much as an equally

#### Bonanza time for the royal souvenirs

By Patricia Clough

orating the engagement of Prince Andrew and Miss Sarah Ferguson were streaming off the production line yester-day as Britain's multi-million pound royal souvenir industry geared up fur aunther

The mugs, in black, white and gold, were designed and put into production by Staf-fordshire Potteries within 12 hours of receiving the commis-sion at 11 am on Wednesday in a frantic, high-speed

operation. The mugs, priced 99p, should be in the shops on

But the prize for the shrewdest operator, however, must go to Debrett's who have been secretly working since the end of last year on a glossy coffee-table, Book of the Royal Engagement, in a calculated gamble which, if it had failed, could have cost them more than £10,000.

Mr Rubert Jarman, Debrett's managing director, would not say exactly whether they had been acting on inside mation. "All I can say is that all the people who seem to know about these things were sure this was the girl," he said.

Debrett's, who sold 207,000 copies of a similar book for the Prince of Wales's wedding with a turnover of £790,000, are frantically putting the finishing touches before rushing the material to Italy for quick printing.

With somewhat less haste, big pottery companies such as Coalport, Wedgwood and Royal Doulton, are preparing to turn out mugs, plates and other souvenirs for the wedling which, as Harrods noted with delight, looks like coming at the beight of the tourist



The royal engagement mugs, priced at 99p, rolling off the production line at Staffordshire Potteries within 24 hours of the official announcement, for sale from Monday.

hut Prince Andrew's public

image and the attractiveness

nf his bride look like making it

an extremely popular event,

pies each of the official royal wedding souvenir book and the royal wedding programme, are working on a number of publications including one which will come not as soon as the date and place of the wedding and the couple's future home is

There was a little uncertainty about the extent of the souvenir market for this wedding; a junior prince is not the

insiders say. "I think we will be surprised by the level of interest; maybe the last wedding has whetted people's appetites," nne maning director said.

Bot Mr John May, a Kensington antique dealer, warned buyers against the idea that

sonvenirs were an investment It is not so much the person commemmorated that counts as the actual quantity of what was produced. "It is scarcity

that dictates value," he said. But Mrs Rita Smythe, who has a shop, Britannia, selling more modern commemorative items near Bond Street, did not entirely agree. "We are buying in £1.25 mags from

#### Rally of Guides was 'badly organized'

A Girl Guides rally at Crystal Palace, London, at which 27 girls were taken to hospital suffering from hypo-thermia, was badly organized and some of its leaders displayed an apparent lack of common sense, an inquiry has concluded.

The report of the committee of inquiry, chaired by Mr Charles Sparrow, QC, and published yesterday, said that no provisions had been made for the adverse weather at the rally of 25,000 people last April, nobody was identified as being in overall control, and there was no central command structure or comprehensive communications

The report made several recommendations for improving the organization of future events, notably the designa-tion of a controller with the power to curtail or halt the

Dr June Paterson-Brown, the Girl Guides chief commissioner, told a press conference that the association had already implemented a further key recommendation, that weatherproof cagoules be made part of the official

Most of the girls taken to hospital after temperatures dropped to zero and snow began falling had been wearing regulation cotton blouses and

Dr Paterson-Brown said a committee had been appointed to draft a brochure laying down precise procedures for the planning of big events that would include provisions for emergencies.

Mrs Anne Dunford, the deputy chief commissioner. said the association accepted responsibility collectively and

#### - Watchdog defensive on delays

The Ombudsman, whose job it is to root out incompetence in government depart--ments, was on the defensive yesterday about delays in the investigation of complaints referred by MPs.

Mr Anthony Barrowclough, QC, the Parliamentary Com-missioner for Administration, took the opportunity of his annual report to respond to CITUCISM VOICED LAST JULY select committee.

his report, Mr ·Barrowclough admits that an average through-put time of almost 12 months for cases in the year to September 1985 is "clearly unsatisfactory" and says the time factor needs to be brought down to about nine months

"Given the nature of the work, the complexity of many of the cases and the need for 'due thoroughness, anything much faster than this would be an unrealistic target — unless staffing were to be increased to - a level which would be patently wasteful of the public - purse," he says.

The backlog of new complaints awaiting screening or further information from the MPs concerned was substan-tially down at 54 on September 30, 1985, compared with 111 the previous year.

Altogether, 788 complaints were disposed by the Ombudsman during the report year, 177 full investigations were completed, in 75 of those the complaint was found to be fully justified, in 80 it was partly justified and in 22 cases no justification was found.

#### **Blandford** is sent for trial

Lord Blandford, aged 30, was committed for trial to Knightsbridge Crown Court on drugs charges yesterday. He appeared at West Lon-

don Court accused with others of conspiring to supply cocaine in contravention of the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971. He was granted bail with two sureties of £5,000 and on condition that he lives at n drug clinic in Surrey. BA is popular with both sexes

preferences of male and female

business travellers are high-lighted in a MORI poll carried

out for Thomas Cook, the

are keen about Holiday Inn

hotels, perhaps the swimming

pools make the difference,

But both prefer British Air-

ways as the airline for trips to

Europe, although business-women complained that, in

inclined to give better service

travel agents.

#### Acquitted man is rearrested

terday just after a Central Criminal Court jury had ac-quitted him of a double murder with a ceremonial sword in an east London restaurant. Police said that Mr Ronald

Reader; aged 44, was being taken to Portsmonth in Hamp-shire "to be dealt with by police there".

Mr Reader, a builder, of

Cornwallis Road, Dagenham, was acquitted of the murders of David Elmore, aged 36, and James Waddington, aged 38, at the Kaleli Restaurant in Station Road, Barking, on the night of St Valentine's Day, 1984. He was also cleared of assaulting the two men.

A year ago, Mr David Maxwell, aged 43, was also cleared of the killings by a Central Criminal Court jury.

Mr Reader denied being in the killings, and maintained he had been framed by the restaurant barman, Mr Brian Wilson, who was the chief prosecution witness.

A big police search failed to find the two missing men, although a ceremonial sword was recovered from the East India Dock.

A senior detective said after-wards: "We are closing the file on these murders."

#### cy, (Nuther Foundation, Nuffield Lodge, Regent's Park, London NW1 4RS, £5). Bail for three policemen

chronically sick should be encouraged to register with

one pharmacy where a record

of all the patient's drugs,

including medicines bought over the counter, could be

Pharmacists should be paid

to vist some patients at home;

the bouse-bound elderly, pa-tients discharged from hospi-tal on complicated drug

regimes or those receiving

complex terminal care. In

addition they should be paid

tial and nursing homes on safe

The committee says that while it cannot cost its propos-

als in detail its aim is to make

hetter use of existing resources.Money spent on drug company representatives to promote drugs to doctors

would be better spent allowing local pharmacists to advise

Some drugs at present avail-able only on prescription should become available from

pharmacies without a prescription, although advertis-ing them to the public should probably be prohibited.

The report argues that the National Health Service is

failing to make full use of

pharmacists' high level of

scientific training. New drugs

are more complex, more effec-tive but potentially more dan-gerous if not taken properly.

The report also criticizes

some of the advertising by

drug companies, arguing that the industry Code of Practice is not tough enough.

Nuffield Report on Pharma-

(Nuffield Foundation,

GPs on prescribing.

to provide advice to residen-

Three London police officers were remanded on uncon-ditional bail by Bow Street magistrates yesterday, accused of assault and conspiring to pervert the course of justice. Police constables Michael

Wearing, aged 27, of Vintage House, Fleet Street, and Victor Weekes, aged 24; and Albert Swanston, aged 26, both of Kennington Lane, Kennington, are charged with assaulting Mr Paul Lally, causing actual bodily harm, outhouse in Horseferry Road Westminster.

They are also accused of conspiring to pervert the course of justice by falsely accusing Mr Lally of using threatening behaviour and falsely accusing his brother, Mr Raymond Lally, of obstructing the police.

Mr Anthony Morse, a com-pany director, of Horseferry Road, was also charged with assaulting Mr Lally. All were remanded until April 17. Bow Street magistrates yesterday remanded Police Constable Wayne Marshall, aged 25, of West Hampstead police station, on unconditional bail until April 17 accused of police station, agent assault on Mr. robbery and assault on Mr Thomas McDonagh, aged 44

#### **Doctor named by MP** declares innocence

an MP last week as the rapist of a girl, aged eight, yesterday claimed that he was innocent and that he had been pilloried.
The doctor was named in a

Commons written question by Mr Geoffrey Dickens, Con-servative MP for Littleborough and Saddleworth, who said the doctor had been questioned by the police, but that the Direc-tor of Public Prosecutions decided there was insufficient

evidence to prosecute. Yesterday, in a statement issued by a Sonthend firm of solicitors, the doctor, who is facing a private prosecution financed by *The Sun* newspaper, said: "I am completely the Speaker

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

while 10 per cent preferred Swissair, 8 per cent Lufthansa

and 7 per cent British Caledonian. Main factors in those

choices were service and the reliability of flight schedules.

MORI found that women, not unexpectedly, would rath-

er have an iron provided in a hotel bedroom than a trouser press. Women disliked being seated in a hidden corner in a

restaurant; neither did they

like being offered an extreme-ly obvious place.

Women are more budget conscious. Travelling to Ex-rope 44 per cent of women

opted to fly economy class,

Wide differences in the per cent of travellers polled,

1 committed an act of rape. No

against me."

The doctor pointed out that no newspaper can publish the

# in Holland Park, west Lon-don, in November last year.

suspected of rape until the

parliamentary privilege, also

choice of 59 per cent of men

but only 43 per cent of women. First class air travel attracted

4 per cent of men but only 2

Among hotels, Holiday Inn was favoured by 17 per cent of

men and 4 per cent of women.

while Sheraton was popular

ed only 5 per cent of men.

# The Essex doctor named by , innocent of the allegation that

person has been convicted, without incurring penalties. The doctor's statement went on: "Mr Geoffrey Dick-

ens has flouted this principle from his safe position in the House of Commons." Mr Dickens, criticized by many MPs for his use of

Will tax cuts produce jobs?

with 11 per cent of men and 12 Read Mr Lawson's mind per cent of women. Rather more women, 13 per cent, preferred Trusthouse Forte hotels although these attract-Women rely more on travel agents to find them a good hotel, some 48 per cent com-Friday. compared with 27 per cent of pared with 26 per cent of men.

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# What to make Where, of course, you'll find a lot more than Budget talk.

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by reading The Spectator this

Auberon Waugh, for example, in an unprecedented display of good nature, praises Richard Ingrams, departing editor of *Private Eye*: "Of all my contemporaries, he is undoubtedly the one who has made the greatest mark on his times."

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# PM wants cheaper petrol: companies harming themselves

#### THE BUDGET

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister declared during question time in the Commons that Mr Neil Kinnock Leader of the Opposition, was premature in demanding a windfall tax to take from oil companies the gains they made from passing on to consumers the Budget increase in petrol prices.

announcement by the major oil companies that they would put up prices had done them a great deal of harm already. She thought Mr Kinnock was a little premature. She supported fully what Mr Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, had said

in his Budget statement.

If the major companies did
not hold down prices, they
would stand to lose out to the
independents who would cut prices. Therefore (she said) they will not gain. I think the announcement that they will put imp prices has done them a great

deal of harm already.

Mr kinnock, in raising the issue, said that the Chancellor had rightly said on Tuesday that with the substantial increase in oil company margins, there was no need for pump prices to go up, and indeed that prices should fall further. In view of the refusal of the

major oil companies to follow that the went on) I bope that she will give an undertaking that if they do not cut the gallon by the 12 per cent they could well afford, she will take away their gains in a windfall tax on profits. T. (Shours of "Retrospectively").

"However, Mrs Thatcher

Considered that Mr Kinnock was a little premature in making

that suggestion.

Mr Kinnock: At the rate of £14
million a week extra profit they would make if they do not cul prices, they will be laughing all the way to the bank.
Why does she not use the

power she plainly has instead of offering only pious sentiment will probably not take place?

There were strong arguments for

telaxing licensing laws in En-gland and Wales since lib-eralization of opening hours in

"Scotland had disposed of some

happen once such a thing was

done, Mr Donglas Hurd-the Home Secretary, said during, questions in the Commons.

He said he was sympathetic to calls for a change in the laws in England and Wales but he

wanted to be sure the proposals

stood on fairly firm ground

before embarking upon them.
Mr Hurd was replying to Mr
David Knox (Staffordshire
Moorlands, C) who had referred

to publication on February 4 of the report by the Office of

It was reasonable that public

niency in sentencing by the

courts should find expression in the House. Mr Douglas Hard, the Home Secretary, indicated

during question time in the

Commons.
The White Paper on Criminal

Justice set out the various options on sentencing, he said.

He was replying to Mr John Ryman (Blyth Valley, Lab) who

said sentencing was a matter for

the judiciary, not for the

Earlier Mr Hurd said the

Government's preferred option was for the Court of Appeal's

guidance to be published under statutory authority, which it was not at present. This would help reassure the public of the na-

tional awareness towards

Mr Gerald Kaufman, chief

Opposition spokesman on home affairs, asked what was

JUSTICE

LICENSING

Mrs Thatcher: I think it will ment which put it on in the first take place. People are shrewd enough to go to the independents. I find it amazing that Mr working in industry should also have some incentive. Kinnock believes people will go to those who offer petrol at higher prices rather than independents who offer consid-

Mr Edward Leigh (Gains-borough and Horncastle, C): This Budget will enable the British people to get what they want rather than what Mr Roy Hattersley thinks they ought to

erable competition.

Mrs Thatcher: I agree with him and that is wby we are making a point of reducing personal in-come tax. Had we left where it was the national insurance surcharge, which was introduced and raised by a Labour Government, personal income tax would already be down to a 25



Churchill: Refer to

Dr David Owen. Leader of the SDP: In view of the urgent need to increase the industrial competitiveness of this country. why did this Government not use the money they gave away in one penny on the standard rate insurance contributions by 10 per cent which would also have had a substantially greater im-pact on unemployment? Mrs Thatcher, Because having already abolished the national

insurance surcharge - and he was a member of the Govern-

Calls for relaxation of drinks laws

the border?
Me Hurd said that since publication of the report, he had

received 10 letters from MPs, on

behalf of constituents, and 23

from members of the public about the present opening hours to England and Wales. Twenty-five thought the hours should be

relaxed; the remaining eight

were opposed to the idea. Mr Knox said the report showed

cheers). England, with its over-

restrictive licensing laws, would benefit similarly. When would

the Government introduce

MPs right to voice concern

the use of the White Paper which dealt substantially with sentencing when most criminals

What instead of the com-

justice, is he going to do to take effective action?

Mr Hard replied that Mr Kauf-

man seemed surprised that a

White Paper oo criminal justice

Mr Richard Hickmet (Glanford and Scunthorpe, C): What effect will the Labour

Menday: Conclusion of Bud-

Tuesday: Gas Bill, third read-

ing. Motion for the Easter

Wednesday: Debate on immi-

get debate.

adjournment.

gration rules.

dealt with criminal justice.

were not caught

## scribbling in reply to MPs

l shall be interested to see

whether he votes against the

Mr Winston Charchill (Davyhulme, C): Has she noted the greater alacrity with which the oil companies put up their

prices rather than bring them down? If the oil majors persist in

refusing to beed the words of the

Chancellor of the Exchaquer

and other ministers, will she coosider referral to the

Mrs Thatcher: I will pass that

on to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry but I think we had better wait a little to see

whether the oil majors are going to take the advice of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

It was very clearly given and if they do not they will not get as much business and therefore

they will get less profits than they would otherwise.

Mrs Thatcher later rejected an appeal by Ms Jo Richardson (Barking Lab) for the removal

of VAT from sanitary products.

Mr Anthony Favell (Stockport,

C): What does she think would be the effect on the Treasury of

losing £5 billion of revenue if, God forbid, we ever had another Labour or Alliance Government?

Mrs Thatcher: It would not be

long before this country went to the IMF again and we must see

Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab): Does she recall

before the election she was making scathing references about the enormous salaries of the City slickers? She was also referring to the tax paid by the low-paid £140 a week nurse.

As a result of the Budget, the

City slicker on over £100,000 satary is getting more than £30 a week back in income tax, but the £140 nurse is getting 30 bob, and

Mr Hard said be had a lot of

sympathy and understood the feelings of a number of MPs on

this subject. However, there had

been similar support for the Auld report on Sunday trading

and that had not turned out to

and Stourbridge, C) said there should be some settlement of

the Sunday trading controvers

upsetting of many more people

over drinking laws. Mr Hard repeated that he had a

lot of sympathy with the case for changing the licensing laws. But

Party's policy, of undermining confidence in the police through statements in the House and by

the actions of police commit-tees, have on effective and efficient policing in this country

and consequently the under-

Mr Herd: That is why they make so much poise about this.

They know they will not be

taken seriously on this matter until they do something about the Labour authorities who have

The main business in the

Monday: Drug Trafficking Of-fences Bill, committee.

Tnesday: Education Bill.

Wednesday: Debates on rates reform and on care of the

House of Lords will be:

committee.

handicapped.

mining of the police?

be non-controversial.

that never happens.

What representations had ester, C) said drinking laws in

Mr Hurd received about the England and Wales were a effect of Scottish licensing laws restraint on trade and regarded upon drinking patterns north of as deeply patronizing by most

eralization. (Conservative before there was any needless

legislation? changing the ficensing laws. But Mr Hard said he had not finished studying the report. Mr Anthouy Nelson (Chich-alize sooner rather than later.

Next week's business

The main business in the Thursday: Easter adjourn-

House of Commons next week ment debates.

Monopobes Commission?

#### **IMMIGRATION**

Mr David Waddington, Min-ister of State, Home Office, complained in the Communous that far too many immigration officers were having to sit in offices scribbling replies to MPs on immigration cases instead of processing applications for entry clearance.

Too much

His remarks during question time came after be had to modify his proposals to take away the right of MPa to make representations to the Home Office if immigration officers had refused a visitor's permit. He had originally alleged in the Commons that 23 MPs had allowed their profilers by allowed their profilers. abused their position by allow-ing illegal visitors into the

country.
Mr Nicholas Soames (Crawley.
C) asked: Is Mr Waddington
satisfied there are sufficient
immigration officers to deal with what is a heavy and difficult case load? Mr Waddington: Mr -Soame

Mr Waddington: Mr Soames has identified the problem. The trouble at the present time, as a result of the number of representations having rocketed ap from only 1,000 in 1982 to 5,700 in 1985, is that far too many inunigration officers are sitting in offices scribbing replies which I have to sign and and to MPs instead of actually send to MPs, instead of actually processing applications from those who wish to obtain a speedy entrance.

Mr Max Madden (Bradford West, Lab): Will the minister scrap the revised guidelines as they remain deeply offensive and are seen as being deeply objec-tionable by many MPs and constituents? When is he going to apologize for the serious allegations be made about MPs abusing the immigration laws which remain unsubstantiated?

Mr Waddington: He has had his shoot and will have an opportu-nity to shout again when there is a debate on this metter. I understand it is to be arranged in

the near foture.
As a result of the consultation As a result of the consultation exercise we carried out, I am satisfied there is wide acceptance among MPs of the need to tighten np on the system of MPs' representations. The rest of the proposals ressain, and in our view will be extremely useful. Mr

Donglas (Grantham,C): For most MPs the right to go to ministers is important and the appropriate restraint in cases of this kind is self-restraint.

Mr Waddington: There has never been any intention to take away the right to approach ministers. There has been a standing and some deliberate misconstruction of our proposals

facility to go to the ports and receive information about the reasons for a refusal direct from the immigration officers.
It is nonsense to say there was

anything unconstitutional in this. At present when an MP puts on a stop that does not interest the minister one bit. The minister's office is no more than a channel of communications and a place where a message is relayed from the office to the

port.
Mr Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North, Lub): What is an individual immigrant family supposed to do if their own MP either has views that are so racist they cannot approach him or refuses to take up any immigration Mr Waddington He is being

very unfair to colleagues. Mr Nicholas Budgen (Wolverampton South West, C): While it is important that the proce-dure should be fair and efficient. the interest of the country is overwhelmingly that immigra-tion control should be firm and in particular that marriage should not be used in general as snow not set used in general as a means of entering this country.

Mr Waddington: i agree. In the revised guidelines there is an added passage because it became abundantly plain from the membrations that a lease name. consultations that a large num-ber of MPs wanted a specific mention of the problem which is caused as a result of people coming to this country through

## Extensive and ambitious plans for job creation: economic outlook good

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

The present generation of working people faced the best economic outlook of their lifetime. with high growth, low inflation, falling oil prices and exchange rates which were stable at levels that enabled the country to be competitive. Mr Kenneth Clarke, Paymaster General and chief Commons spokesman on employment, said when the about on the Rudest rive. debate on the Budget was

The Chancellor of the Exchequer (Mr Nigel Lawson) had created the conditions for jobs. When people first reacted Budget, they took account of the tax changes, because these af-fected their lives most immedi-ately. It would take more time to appreciate the complete extent of the Budget's employment measures...(Labour laughter)...which were extensive and ambitions.

The principal complaint of the Opposition parties was that the Government's job creation measures did not cost the taxpayer enough. The connection in the rival parties' propo-sitions between the cash and jobs was highly-debatable. (Labour protests).

All the schemes the Govern ment was expanding compared extremely favourably with rival propositions in terms of cost-per-job. The Government's measures were cost effective and

well-directed.
The Government had carried out a survey into the views of young people on the Youth Training Scheme more than a million of whom had taken part

This showed that 80 per cent thought the training worthwhile and two-thirds of the trainess got jobs straight away, moved onto further education or to

some other form of training.
For the Opposition to refer to it as a skivvying scheme or as slave labour was damaging to slave labour was damaging to the interests of the more gullible young people. That type of comment would make some suspicious of the scheme, put, them off joining and result in them missing out on an opportunity to improve their ob prospects.

Of complaints that the financial burden of the second year of the scheme was borne by local authorities, he said the authorities that claimed they were getting into the most difficulties were those which had conceded to pressure from Naigo to top up the allowance payable to YTS

That was a self-imposed burden chosen by the local authorities and the Government could not provide funds to cover that. Within two years local authorities, the private sector and voluntary bodies would regard it as a wholly desirable and permanent addition to the prepartion for work of young people.

Of the long-term un-employed, he said it was the Government's duty to prevent them falling out of the world of whether they came from the working people. After a year ont private or public sector. It fully of work, despair and desponsupported local authorities dency set in and employers were reluctant to take on people with no recent record of work. This was a problem emerging

generally throughout the Euro-pean Community. The Govern-ment had therefore deliberately chosen to give priority to the 1.3 million people registered as out of work over a year. These people must not be left out of the better job market that economic recovery was now

Everyone of these long-term unemployed would be invited to a discussion with an advisor in a job centre who would consid their personal situation and the needs of each one

That was a revolution in approach to the problem and to of extra work the Government was recruiting 2000 extra staff. an increase of 25 per cent, in the iob centres.

The new re-start courses would help people to brush up their job-finding skills. A £20 a week job start allowance was being made available nationally to provide a direct financial incentive for the long-term unemployed person to return to work even if he had to take a

lower-paid job to get started Government had clearly re-again.

Since the Government embarked on its pilot schemes, while unemployment fell nationally in January by only O.1 per cent, in the re-start trial areas it fell by 1.1 per cent. What better to operate on taxes than on the level of unemployment the Government had seen so far

Anything in a socialist programme had to cost a large amount of taxpavers money and even the Government's more moderate critics tended to talk about billions of pounds of public spending to give more credibility to their proposals when they discussed

had given it the confidence to go

The Government was already spending greatly increased amounts on the infrastructure. He had played a part in restoring the trunk road and hospital building programmes wmich had both been savaged by the Government's Lib/Lab prede-

in transport and health, the Government spent money when it needed to. Its problem was often one of delays to projects caused by public inquiries and bureaucracy rather than unwillingness to spend money to meet real need.

The problem was that modern

construction methods were cap-ital-intensive and not labour-

intensive.

The Alliance's proposed jobs expansion would lead to people ounting famp posts.

Labour supporters were going

around the country showering promises like confent, but now apparently Mr Hattersley would say "No" to all these proposals. say No to all these proposals. Mr Hattersley had now said the Labour Party's proposals would cost between £6 and £7 billion, instead of £24 billion. Hatt of what Mr Hattersley described as the drive to create jobs was simply the addition of



Prescott: No jobs in any of these proposals

the recent Select Committee's report on employment mea-sures. The gross cost of the report's proposals was at least £6 billion and Mr. Hattersley had adopted the committee's report because he was desperately short of proposals of his own.

Opposition spokesman on employment, said the Labour ever they could get them. It had no ideological obsession about supported local authornies which had done a great deal in producing jobs by putting both private and public money

He agreed it was not good enough to use a slogan about creating one million jobs and hope people believed it. He recognized the Labour Party had an obligation to spell out where they would come from and the consequences in terms of expenditure and inflation. It did not need any lectures from Mr Clarke about that. The reason local authorities

were in doubt about maintain ing good quality training in YTS schemes was that they found themselves in difficulty in financing schemes for two years. They could not raise the money because of Government rate-Capping.
The £16 billion by which the

local authorities had been penal-ized had not only had that effect but had also cut employment. He was not against job clubs. His main complaint was that Mr Clarke was misleading those people because there was no possibility of them getting jobs. The unemployed did not want advice on how to get a job; they just wanted to get a job.
This was the first time any jected doing anything about the level of mass unemployment, the first time the Government had indicated that unemployment was not an electoral fiability. They felt that it was far

and they were morally indifferent to the level of anemployment at the next election. It had clearly been a money Budget and any doubt about that had been removed by the reaction of Tory backbenchers. . The present Government had borrowed more than the Labour Government, but it was not prepared to borrow to put people back to work. It was the first Budget since 1979 which

had not maintained that reducing unemployment was an ing unemployment was an objective of Budget policy.

There are no jobs (he said) in any of these proposals. The only ones are the 2,000 who are to interview unemployed people in job centres and that will increase the Civil Service which the Government has been reducing.

The Government had fiddled the unemployment figures down. They had manipulated the situation in an attempt to put on a gloss of caring

They were being rumbled by the electorate, it was a deliberate act of Government to maintain mass memployment as part of its policy and there was no doubt about it. Government policy had had a greater effect than the world recession on

What the Budget did was to confirm that in giving money for taxes they were not prepared to give it for jobs. What the Government chose to do in the Budget was to go for tax cuts and a lot of cheap schemes. There was a role for community and youth training schemes; his criticismwas the way they were used by the Government simply to manipulate the unemployment figures and not to do anything about jobs themselves. The Government could give all the incentives it liked but they did not so into investment o

During later stages of the Budget debute on Wednesday, Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said the Chancellor put on a slick performance yesterday but did little to allay the anxieties of most people the anxieties of most people, including a large number of Conservatives inside and outside the House, about the long-term prosperity of the United Kingdom.

This Budget (he said) can be seen as little more than a short-sighted, mean made? Hadget.

Sir Peter Horders (Horsham, C) said there was no attempt to regulate the montary figures by selling more gitts when neo-essary to fund the borrowing requirement. Instead there was melled the present consumer

boom. . . It was a mystery to him why the Government did not join the European money system which would give the additional protection of closer association with the Deutschmark.

Dr Oouagh McDonald, an Opposition spokesman on Trea-sury and economic affairs, said there had been further tax cuts for the wealthy. "Popular capitalism" should be called top people's capitalism because despite all efforts to increase share ownership only six out of every 100 people owned shares.

Mr John Moore, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said every year some tax changes had take effect more or less in mediately.

For those which worked to the

taxpayer's advantage, the nor-mal rule was that they took effect on or after Budget day but for those changes which worked the other way by imposing or increasing tax, the practice bad been to apply the changes after Budget day.

In most cases this worked well enough but there might be enough our mere might be occasions when some people were able to engage in forestalling which could be costly to the Exhcequer by doing business very quickly on Budget night. To allow this would be neither that mere expends and it might be fair nor sensible and it might be necessary to make changes effective from the start of Budget

#### Anti-flu vaccine may be useless

#### HOUSE OF LORDS

Lady Transpington, Under Sec-retary of State for Health and Social Services, startled peers at question time in the House of Lords by saying that she had been informed that the anti-fin vaccine was quite useless.
Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos. Lender of the Opposition peers had said: The flu vaccine is widely advised by doctors. Is the min-ister saying on behalf of the Government that the vaccine is

Government that the vaccine is ineffective? Lady Transpington: No. My statement was made after having statement was made after having visited one of the Government laboratories. They have for many years carried out experiments in a certain school, using fin raccine. The flu hug is of a different nature virtually every year and they therefore informed me that vaccination against fin was a rather pointing operation. Lord Paget of Northampton

was a rainer positions operation.
Lord Paget of Northampton
(Lab): The NHS have been
giving me a flu vaccine in which,
until I heard the minister, I had
the utmost confidence.
(Laghter). Lady Trampington: I assume that he is one of the kind whom the fin bogs do not lete. (Laugh-

ter). Lord Cledwyn of Peurhos: There has been a newspaper report that her department is working on the vaccine for the coming winter. Will she make it clear to the House that she is not condemning the pati-fits vaccine condensing the anti-fla vaccine absolutely, and come to the House and make a clear statement which will relieve the public anxiety which is bound to be awakened by what she has notify (Theory). he awarened by want sur ans suid? (Cheers). Lady Trumpington: Of course, I am not condemning the flu vaccine. Research is being done

into flu reactivation. I stand by what I have been told, but if I am informed afterwards that I have in any way misled the House I will make a statement.

#### Assaults on professor intolerable

#### WAPPING

Assants on Professor John Vin-cent of Bristol University be-cause he contributed to The Sun were utterly intolerable, should never occur in a free country. never occur in a free country, and should be condemned by everyone on all sides of the House, Mrs. Thatcher, the Prime Allminer, said during Commons questions.

She was replying to Mr Robert Rhodes James (Cambridge, C) who referred to the deliberate physical assaults and criministation of the Professor.

What has happened to free speech (he asked) which we had when we went through two world wars and wby is the Leader of the Opposition so ilent about these outrages? Mr Neil Kirmock, Leader of the Opposition: Rubbish!

#### Call up plan rejected

The Prime Minister rejected a suggestion by a Conservative MP that, in view of the alarming increase in violent crime na-tional service should be reintroduced. Mr John Wilkinson (Ruislip-

Northwood. C): In view of the alarming increase in the in-cidence of violent crime. particularly by young people, could she find time to reconsider the potential importance of the reintroduction of national service, especially as, in addition to the training scheme, it could be an invaluable way of providing young people with the technical training and skills they need in today's world?

Mrs Thatcher: I know Mr Wilkinson's views, but it would mean an enormous change in the whole of defence policy which is founded on professional armed services. We would not be your the Youth prefer to rely on the Youth Training Scheme.

## Britain's workers 'bunch of thickies'

Britain's workforce is "a bunch of thickies" in terms of skills and qualifications, compared with competitor coun-Services

Mr Nicholson told Nottingthat a recent survey of 45 comparable companies in Britain and West Germany had shown dramatic differences in the performance of managements and factory "The firms all produced

comparable, simple products using similar equipment and technology, and yet productivity was an iocredible 63 per cent higher in the German firms than in the British ones," he said. Mr Nicholson said the re-

searcher found that, "the Germans were better educated and trained, and they had the -qualifications to prove it".

He said aoother survey carried out for the commission, which was published yesterday, included interviews with 757 managers of companies with fewer than

Less than 40 per cent of the companies had conducted any training in the previous year.

The study found a strong tries, according to Mr Bryan link between training and Nicholsoo, chairman of the product development, output and profit performance. Of the companies surveyed, including those with up to 199 ham businessman yesterday employees, 53 per cent of high performing companies said they had trained staff in the past year, while only 34 per cent of medium performers and 9 per cent of low performers had done so.

Mr Nicholson said: "When you compare Britain's adult workforce, from top management down, with those in our main competitor countries, we emerge as a bunch of

"Britain has a very poor record of adult training compared with competitors like Japan, Germany and Ameri-

"There is a clear link be-Iween success and training. That's why our competitors are prepared to invest in their workers; because they know it pays dividends in terms of quality, output, profit and

#### Crisis may push debť to £1.1 bn By Anthony Bevins

Political Correspondent

The world debt crisis, aggravated by the fall in the price of oil, is expected to push the debts of the Export Credits Guarantee Department to more than £1,100 million within 12 mooths. The department's cash re-

serves were exhausted in February 1984 and by the end of last year it had been forced to borrow £678.700,000 from the Consolidated Fund. Supply Estimates published

by the Treasury this week forecast that the department was expected to make an annual deficit of £310 million to the end of this month. But the estimates then said: The provision for 1986/87 is 60 per cent higher than the

fer difficulties. The forecast deficit for the coming year is put at £494

forecast out-turn for 1985/86

due to expected further trans-

A department spokesman aid: "There are some 36 said: countries in the debt queue. rowth."
Your Own Business, page 20 refinance their debts."



Champion Steve Davis, with his wax partner at Madame Tussand's yesterday (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

## Science report

#### Why lean meat turns tough Consumers who are con-

scious of their weight or bealth and who insist on buying lean meat, should not be surprised if it turns out to be dry and tough after cooking. Those are the findings of two researchers at the West German university of Hokenbeim, who have es-tablished close links between lean pigs and poor quality meat, identified as PSE meat;

pale, soft and exudative. Professor Hans von Faber and Dr Elisabeth Maeller, surprised by statistics which showed that between 30 per cent and 50 per cent of pork marketed in the Federal Republic was of poor quality, decided to find out why.

Because they were familiar with the connection between PSE meet and the accelerated rate at which glycogen (the reserve carbohydrate of the animal cell) breaks down in the animal's muscles after slaughter, they concentrated on a less well-known heritable membrane effect, which produces an increased flow of calcium in the muscle plasma pigs and PSE pock.
of pigs before stanging and. To establish that link they
subsequently, PSE meat from set up experiments with two

Halothane is an anaesthetic with a smell similar to that of chloroform. When ordinary pigs breathe it in, their musdes relay. But the muscles of pigs likely to preduce PSE pork contract during the test. It appears the anaesthetic pro-

duces an increased calcium

flew and a higher body tem-perature, processes similar to those occurring in slaughtered animals which yield PSE But those tests are not definitive for the early identification of PSE meat producing pigs; up to 40 per cent of pigs that react normally to halothese produce poor quality pork and more than 30 per

cent of those that react by muscle contraction produce 200d quality ment. Therefore, the German researchers argued, the mem-brane effect could not explain the correlation between lean

gland activity. That, in turn, leads to an

pigs specially bred for groups of pigs group A, leanness.

That effect can be detected ticularly lean and produce almost 100 per cent PSE pork, and group B, rare, pure bred pigs, which are fat, yet produce good quality meat.
Although pigs likely to yield PSE pork do not have above average levels of adrenalin or noradrenalin, the German re-

searchers found variations within the muscles of Pietrain They also detected significantly more beta receptors in the muscle of fat tissues of Pietrain pigs than of pure bred

strains. Because the activity of thyrold gland hormones can increase the number of beta receptors in the heart and restrict the formation of fat, the researchers concluded that selection for leanness produces pigs with greater thyruid

increased number of beta re-cepturs in skeletal muscles. then to an accelerated breakdown of glycogen

It seems grandmother was
right when she said that fat
pigs produced tasty meat.

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Law Report March 21 Queen's Bench Divisional Court

The Bar puts its case for higher legal aid fees

Regina v Lord Chancellor, Ex routine uprating calculated would hope that npon about £17,500 a year before tax reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and that of the 10 to 15 year reconsideration you would be presented by the same formula and the same formula

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t CEEK. THE REAL PROPERTY. and Mr Justice Horeham and Mr Justice Taylor IArgument March 20?

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court began hearing an application by Mr Robert Scott Alexander, QC, chairman of the Bar of England and Wales, as representative of the Bar Council, for judicial review of a decision of the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, communicated in a letter to Mr Alexander dated February 7, 1986, to make regulations under section 39(t) of the Legal Aid Act 1974, as amended, to increase with effect from April I next by oo more that 5 per cent the level of fees payable to barristers under the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costs) Regulations (SI 1982 No 1197) as amended by the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costs)

Regulations (SI 1982 No. 1197) as amended by the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costa) (Amendment) Regulations (SI 1985 No. 333).

The relief sought was a declaration that the Lord Chancellor's decision was unlawful and that, before making unchanged the contractions of the Lord Chancellor's decision was unlawful and that, before making unchanged the contractions of the Lord Chancellor's decision was unlawful and that, before making unchanged the lord contractions who had been contractions and the lord contractions and the lord contractions are contracted to the lord contractions and the lord contractions are contracted to the lord contraction of the lord contraction regulations, the Lord Chancellor had been and re-mained obliged to consult and negotiate with representatives of

The grounds on which the relief was sought were:

1 That the Lord Chancellor failed to consult or negotiate with representatives of the Bar before reaching his decision in breach of express assurances
that such negotiations and
consultations would take place
and contrary to the legitimate
expectation of such negotiations
and consultations, and thereby
acted multiplications acted unfairly.

2 That, in making his decision

the Lord Chancellor failed propthe Lord Chancellor failed property to fulfil his statutory obligations to "have regard to the principle of allowing fair remuneratioo according to the work actually and reasonably done" in relation to the level of such fees applicable from April 1, 1986.

The Lord Chancellor released to the press his letter of February 7 after submission to his department of a study by management consultants, Coo-pers & Lybrand Associates, of remuocration of barristers carrying out criminal legal aid

"My dear Bob: I have now been able to consider Coopers and Lybrand's report and recommendations, As you know, officials have met with Coopers and Lybrand to discuss factual and technical aspects of

their report.
I have to tell you that I have yet to be convinced that the main recommendations of the consultants report principally that an increase between 30-40 per cent in criminal legal aid feet is required to give fair and reasonable renumeration—can

level of median earnings for barristers of 10-15 years call specialising in crime which the consultants found from their survey of actual earnings demonstates that current fee levels are too low. As one might expect, their survey showed a wide variation in earnings. In any event, fees cannot be set at a level which would provide a substantial income for a bar-

substantial meeme for a par-rister whose time may not be fully employed.

"I accept, of course, that the consultants base their recom-mendations on a model de-signed to show the carnings which could be achieved by counsel fully employed on legal aid work at different fee levels. But I am not yet convinced that a number of the key assumptions in the model are realistic.

One of the functions of the

model is to establish the number of cases a barrister can do each year. This depends on how long each type of case will take in court and how long it will have taken to prepare. I do not at the moment accept the assumptions used for the time cases take in

court.

"As an example, my department's figures for the average hearing time for guilty pleas in the second quarter of 1985 was 0.7 hours. The consultants have assumed that guilty pleas take a minimum of two hours.

"If so they take a good deal longer than they did in my time. Nor can I accept the preparation times assumed.

Nor can I accept the preparation times assumed.

"Again by way of example the consultants have assumed an average preparation time of appeals against sentence of five hours, which compares with the average of about half an hour which our figures show appeals against sentence take in court. This also conflicts with my own experience at the Bar.

experience at the Bar.

These are examples only. There are a number of other assumptions which I find myself unable to accept. More fundamentally, the report seems to respect to assess. make no attempt to assess whether the range of work in the model was appropriate to coun-sel of any particular standing. "Nor would I accept that the

fact that lawyers in the Civil Service, or for that matter employed in the private sector, are paid a particular salary is itself justification for setting fee levels so as to achieve com-

parable carnings.

In the regulations I am required by statute to have regard to the principle of allowing fair remuneration according to the parable and reason. to the work actually and reason

ably done.

In reaching my decision, I cannot ignore the cost of meeting the claim, which in this case would be substantial. That is why, before accepting the claim, I have had to scrutinize it with As I have said, I remain to be

convinced, oo the information before me, that the rates being paid in the current financial year do not represent fair and reason-

able remuneration.

Nevertheless, I accept of course that these rates will need to be adjusted for next year and I am therefore proposing to bring forward regulations based on a

overail.
"My officials will be in touch with Coopers and Lybrand, who I understand will be acting on

I understand will be acting on your behalf, to discuss the draft regulations in detail.

"I recognize that this will be disappointing to you. I understand and share your concern about the need to keep fees at a level-which will continue to attract competent people to the Criminal Bar. I hope that it may be possible to find a way forward.

forward.
"I shall therefore ask my officials to give further though to how this might be achieved and then to enter into discussions with your people".

In answering the Lord Chancellor's letter of February 7, Mr Alexander stated: "Dear Lord Chancellor: Thank you for your letter of February 7. Its comments are not merely, as you anticipate, disappointing. They are deeply disturbing.
"There has not, as some

might think from your letter, been effective discussions bebeen effective discussions be-tween Coopers & Lybrand and your department. Coopers & Lybrand were in close contact during the year in which their report was being prepared. It was submitted in September. "They held themselves in readiness for officials to test its validity in 25 much detail as they wished. Apart from preliminary comments, and one exploratory meeting on Decem-

exploratory meeting on December 17, the government has wholly failed to avail itself of

this opportunity.
"I do not seek in this letter therefore to answer the specific criticisms raised. They appear to be based either on misunder-standings or on relatively minor

Mr Sydney Kentridge, QC, Mr Thomas Morison, QC, Mr Nicholas Underhilt and Mr George Leggatt for Mr Alexander, Mr Nicholas Phillips, QC and Mr Joho Laws for the Lord Chanceller.

Mr Kentridge said that Mr Alexander was acting in a representative capacity in pursuance of the function of protecting what the Bar Council considered to be the legitimate interests of its members. Before the 1982 Regulations

were brought into effect there had been some consultation with solicitors as a body but the Bar had not been given any full opportunity of consultation.

The Bar was profoundly dissatisfied with the 1982

Regulations.
The Lord Chaocetlor's Department described the nego-tiations with the solicitors as

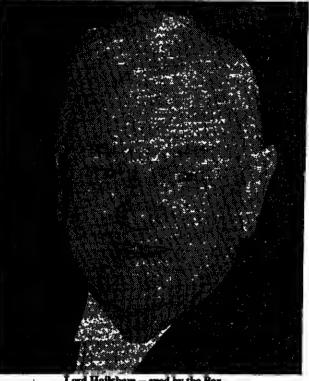
trations with the solicitors as stage 1 and the negotiations with the Bar as stage 2 to come at some time in the future.

In 1983 a survey of remuneration which had been commissioned by the Bar was presented to the Lord Chancellor's Department. That survey was not regarded as of much value and it was rejected in 1984.

The Bar undertook that it

would commission and assist in presenting a much more extensive survey and commissioned Coopers & Lybrand to do a study not only of remuneration but also of work and expenses. It was understood that that study would be considered and discussed and some basis of negotiation reached between the

Bar and the Lord Chancellor. In each of 1983, 1984 and 1985 the prescribed fees were increased by a small percentage, which was adopted apparently by having regard to the rate of



Lord Hallsham - sued by the Bar

points. I regret that it is a inflation. selective and unbalanced apseicctive and unbalanced approach to the report.

"You do not, however, suggest that even if these points were valid, they would reduce the claim significantly.

"We are agreed that you are required by statute to have regard to the principle of allowing fair remuneration according

ing fair remuneration according to the work actually and reason-

ably done.

"Nowhere, however, do you suggest that any criticisms you have of the Coopers & Lybrand report would in any way justify selection of the figure of 5 per

"This figure is, as you say, a routine uprating based on an unjustifiable formula which does not appear to relate to fair remuneration. Nor does it take into account your express con-cern that the quality of new entrants to the profession should be preserved.

entrants to the should be preserved.

"You suggest that your own experience at the Bar supports the year.

The result to which they came was that on the scale of 1984-1985 the median of five-to-ine-thermal particular than the scale of about of the circuits since October and
much contact with the Bar in
London wholly supports the
view of the consultants that fair
remuneration is not being paid
and hardship is being caused.
"The profession remains, as I

have indicated, keen to secure no more than fair remuneration. The Royal Commission on Legal Services recommended strongly that there should be an Advisory Committee, such as exists for other, sectors of public employment, to advise the proon and the Government on what is fair.

"The Government's response to this proposal was that it preferred direct negotiations with the profession.
"We now have a situation where there has been no proper negotiation, nor is, there any objective body seeking to secure

the public interest by ensuring that the profession is properly The Bar finds this deplocable and as I have previously indicated, is wholly willing that an independent body should consider the validity of its case.

Your letter is silent on this suggestion, and I am disappointed that the Government does not appear as willing as we

before you has taken a year to prepare. It has been with the Government for almost five months. The Bar has committed a good deal of the resources of its professional organization to the preparation of the report I have to say that the whole

Bar will consider the reply as a very inadequate response.
"We also hope that there may be a way forward. This cannot, however, start from the basis of a refusal of negotiations, and the imposition of an unjustifiably low base figure.
The profession can reason-

information the practice of over 2,000 barristers coosisted substantially and in some cases entirely of legal aid.

Twenty four sets of chambers in London and in other cities were surveyed. They were doing largely but not entirely criminal work. They made regular re-turns to Coopers & Lybrand over 12 consecutive working weeks of barristers of five to nine years' seniority and of 10 to 15 years, who made individual

To avoid the possibility that an individual study might be of an under-employed barrister, Coopers & Lybrand created a coopers & Lybrand created a model barrister who was engaged solely on that type of work, who was assumed to be handling a mix of cases but was someone who was working as hard and often and as efficiently

have an annual income of about of dealings, meetings and £12.500 before tax, and for those correspondence going back to 1982 as dealt with in Mr would be £15,000 before tax. In

would be 2.13,000 before tax. In the provinces the estimated income would be slightly less.

Paragraphs 16 and 17 of the summary of their report read:

"Our conclusion that the present criminal legal aid fee scales are inadequate and fail to mast the principle of "Shir and meet the principle of 'fair and reasonable' reward for work reasonably done' is supported by evidence of declining quality of entry to the criminal bar, a read which core extablished trend which once established will become increasingly diffi-cult to arrest. There is also evidence that able young bar-risters are leaving the criminal Bar through dissatisfaction with the financial rewards.

"We have based our recom-

mendations, not on a compar-nive study of the incomes of barristers with people in other walks of life, but on the principle that there should be consistency on the net rewards of barristers servants or self-employed — who rely wholly on governmentfunded work.

"We have applied this principle with regard to the salaries are to submit the merits of our and conditions enjoyed by barcase to such detached and risters in similar age groups in case to such detached and risters in similar age groups in impartial scruiny.

The study which we have put. This demonstrates that the incomes of self-employed barristers who specialize in publicly funded criminal defence work would need to be increased by between 30 per cent and 40 per cent at current rates if they were to be put on a similar earnings basis to government legal

> The fee scales which would realize this principle are set out in the appendix ..."
> The Lord Chancellor's decision was, notwithstanding what was before him, to make a routine uprating of 5 per cent. If Coopers & Lybrand's figures were adopted the income of the

servants.

group £22,500 a year before tax. It had been contemplated by the Lord Chancellor's Decartment and understood by the Bar that the new regulations would be issued by the Lord Chancellor with effect from

April t.

The Coopers & Lybrand report was finished and presented to the Bar in September 1985 and immediately submitted to not only the Lord Chancellor but also the Law Officers. They received it on Sepember 13.

No response having been received from the Lord Chancellor's Department by the middle of November the Bar began to express concern that no arrangements had been made to start meetings about the report. On November 22 a critique of the report drawn up by the Lord Chancellor's Department and the Law Officers' Department was received by the Bar. It was immediately attended to and on December 10 Coopers & Lybrand presented a reply.

On December 17 a preliminary meeting took release but

nary meeting took place but despite repeated requests from the Bar and Coopers & Lybrand that the expected series of meetings should take place in the near future, there was only one meeting at lunchtime or January 29.

Throughout that period assur ances were given by the Lord Chancellor's Department that further meetings would take place, but none did.

On February 7 the Lord Chancellor's letter was handed

to Mr Alexander.
The Bar had remained throughout under the contino ing impression that negotiations on the report would take place before the decision was taken to make the 1986 Regulations. Io those circumstances the Bar felt compelled to institute

roceedings.

It was perfectly clear that the ntention of Parliament in the Act was to further the admin istration of justice in this coun try and to provide the benefit of legal representation to persons who would not otherwise be

able to afford it.

The legal aid system had provided a large field of work for the Bar. It was a factor

The intention of Parliament was not to confer benefit on the Bar but to confer representation to persons charged before the

It should not be necessary to aid was one of many social services in this country and that the question of fair remunera-tion could not be considered Government, with the help of without regard to other dethe World Health Organizamands on the public purse.

He was suggesting that the Bar was competing with other benefactors for bounty from the public purse and therefore must be content with less remuneration.
It was clear that the Lord

Chancellor considered that by April 1, 1986 he was required to exercise his powers again. Powers in relation to financial matters were usually exercised from time to time, usually annually.

Lord Lage: What is the magic

Counsel said that the other regulations had been made on April 1. There was no reason why the decision could not be

deferred. In his affidavit the Lord Chancellor said that be had not yet made a decision to which objection might be taken. It was not clear whether he meant that the application was premature because the decision had not been put in the form of regula nons. If so, that was not correct

in law.

Mr Phillips said that that point was not being taken.

Mr Kentridge said it was of the essence that the discussions and negotiations would take place before the regulations were made. The expectation which was created was in relation to the decisioo to be made on new

regulations to come into force in spring 1986. Counsel referred to the course

Alexander's amdaynt.

It was important to go back to 1982 because the Lord Chancellor io his affidavit appeared to suggest that the 1982 fees were fair to the Bar and therefore by reason of the routine appearings since then the current apratings since then, the current regulations were prima facie fair and the onus was on the Bar to prove that they were unfair.

Commenting on the Lord Chancellor's letter of February 7. Mr Kentridge said that it was for the Lord Chancellor to convince himself that the rates he fixed for 1986 afforded fair and reasonable remuneration.

A meeting between Mr
Alexander and the Lord Chan-cellor took place on March 4.

In commenting on questions asked at that meeting, the Lord Chancellor wrote that be had not taken any "decision" save to seek to remedy the immediate consequences of inflation. He added that it would be wrong to withhold the routine uprating, as Mr Alexander was aware such regulations could not be backdated.

The first submission was based on the legitimate expecta-tions of the Bar. The phrase legitimate expectations" was first considered by Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, in Schmidt v Secretary of State for Home Affairs ([1969] 2 Ch 149) and had since been considered by the Privy Council in Attorney General of Hong Kong v Ng Yuen Shiu ([1983] 2 AC 629) and by the House of Lords in Council of Civil Service Unions v Minister for the Civil Service ([1985] AC 374).

The authorities were clear, and if they were applied to this case there must have been a legitimate expectation.

The hearing continues. ably expect proper negotiations were adopted the income of the Solicitors. Lawre as a matter of fair dealing. I five to nine year-group would be Treasury Solicitor. 



The statue of Eros made an imprompta return to Piccadilly yesterday in the courtyard of the Royal Academy. The polished and restored figure will be moved today to its rightful place on top of the fountain in Piccadilly Circus and will fred Gilbert, its creator, opens at the Royal Academy today.

#### Campaign to promote may yield **Ulster** agreement

By Richard Ford

The Government vesterday started a publicity campaign to promnte the Anglo-Irish agreement and to end a "sustained campaign of half-truths" by "loyalist"

politicians. Under the heading "Time For Truth" full-page adver-tisements were placed in Northern Ireland's three daily newspapers and in all its weeklies.

In the advertisements the Government sets out what it says are the facts rather than the fiction of the agreement

with Dunim.

Without naming loyalist leaders the advertisements accuse them of launching a deliberate campaign of lies, deceit and distortion which exploited emotions and had led to unrest and disorder,

The advertisements, issued and paid for by the Northern Ireland Office, end: "The Anglo-Irish agreement — Let's stick to the facts!" The Rev Ian Paisley, les

of the Democratic Unionist Party said their appearance was an implicit acknow-ledgement that the Government has lost the propagat initiative to an "unscrup "The more aggressive" of-

fensive by the Government comes after debate among senior ministers and officials.

The advertisement says that since the agreement was signed last November it had been the target of a "sustained campaign of half-truths and worse. It is now time — for all

#### Big increase in drugs abuse Health ministers from tion to discuss the global

around the world yesterday gave a warning that drug abuse had increased dramanleading to the expansion of the cally and seemed set to get even worse.

They said new forms of drugs, which were more addictive, were starting to be used. They also drew attention to possible links between drug have to point that out to the traffickers and terrorists who court, but the Lord Chancellor, in his affidavit, said that legal The warnings came at the end of a three-day conference in Londoo called by the

problems of drugs misuse. Delegates from about 30 countries were told that rough estimates pul the number of people taking cannabis at more than 29 million. The number of people tak-

ing opium and heroin was nearly three million, with more than four million taking cocaine. A further 8,500,000 people were thought to be takine harhiturates, tranquillizers and amphetamines or hallucinogens. Mr Barney Hayhoe, Minister of Health, said that the use tives to drug taking.

of so-called "designer drugs" was beginning to spread from the United States to other countries. They can be made in the kitchen, using fairly readily available chemicals. In a joint statement the ministers "expressed great

concern that health problems

related to the misuse of nar-

cotic and psychotropic substances have increased dramatically at a global level". The statement said that countries should encourage action to promote healthy and personally-fulfilling alterna-

## **Thatcher** on Sunday shopping

By Philip Webster Political Reporter

The Prime Minister ha been seeing more Conserv: tive opponents of unlimite Sunday trading, but she nowavering in her support for the principle of complet deregulation.

Opponents of the Shops Bi

as it stands have, howeve drawn encouragement from the meetings. MPs have been struck by the Prime Minister obvious concern that the Gov ernment should be doir, something which is oppose by such a large oumber of h

by stell a large of the backbenchers.

By yesterday 77 Conservitive MPs had signed a motio calling oo the Government 1 amend the Bill "to preservition preservition of the bill to preservition of the backbenchers. the special character of Sur day and to have regard for th principles and conscience ( those who would be affecte, by the total deregulation

Sunday trading". While Mrs Thatcher clearl disagrees with the critics, sh is said to be worried abou upsetting so many MPs wh are normally close supporter and because so much of th opposition outside Parliamen is coming from Conservative

supporters.
At one session with abou eight Conservative MPs th Prime Minister last week do voted almost an hour to discussion of the shops legisla

As The Times reported. compromise under which shops would be allowed topen for a maximum of foul hours on Sundays is unde discussion at the Hom

Mr Roger Gale, Conserva also sent the Prime Ministe details of the solution which has been adopted in the American state of Massachu setts, which confines openin to between midday and 5 pn

on Sundays.

Bradford Metropolitai Council has promised in the High Court to take a fresh loos at its policy for enforcing th Sunday tradiog laws.

The undertaking was given after Uriah Woodhead huilders' merchants, of Valle, Place, Bradford, took this council to court because it said competitors selling do-it-your self equipment were cooting ing to trade oo the Sabbath, it breach of the 1950 Shops Act

#### **MAPLES TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD**

The famous Maples of Tottenham Court Road Sale must end soon! There are still hundreds of bargains in every department. including many stocked items further reduced.\*BUT HURRY!





GUCCI: HISTORY MARCHES ON. FROM TOMORROW A NEW BOUTIQUE AT SELFRIDGES LTD., OXFORD STREET, LONDON W1A 1AB.



From Michael Hornsby

South Africa is bracing itself for heightened civil commotion today after black politfollowers yesterday to mark emotive aumiversaries of two seminal events in the history of their resistance to white

wounded when police fired on funeral marchers in Langa, a black township outside On March 21, 1960, 69 Uitenhage, in the eastern blacks were killed and 186 Cape. A judicist inquiry found that the police had no crowdblacks were killed and 186 that the police had no crowd-which share the political aims wounded in Sharpeville, a control weapons with them of the outlawed African Na-

(COSATU), urged blacks in the Uitenhage and Port Eliza-beth area, which is heavily industrialized, to stay away from work today,

of Johannesburg, when police guns and pistols.

In o joint statement yester-large cross demonstrating day the United Democratic against "pass laws" severely Front (UDF), an anti-apariton, restricting black movements. normal tuition would be re- ness Movement, the Azanian

> They further demanded that the ban on the ANC should be lifted, all political prisoners released, and that March 21, June 16 – the day in 1976 on which the Soweto uprising began — and May 1, Interna-tional Labour Day, should be

The rival Black Consciousplaced by "alternative educa-tion programmes" at black nounced separate plans for schools. church meetings in the next few days, and said that the Sharpeville killings had been a cataclysmic event, ending "plaintiff petition politics" and setting black resistance on

n revolutionary path. Widespread unrest contin-

nnknown attachers io Guguletu, o black township near Cape Town, while the death toll in still mexplained fighting between schoolchil-

late division of the Supreme Court, the highest court in the land, ruled that preventive detention orders against 16 in the British consulate in Durban late in 1984, had been invalid.

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In a judgement that could make it more difficult for the Government to use the indefioite preventive detention provisions of the Internal Security Act, the court ruled that the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis Le Grange, had failed to give sufficient reasons for detaining the 16 men.

for Nazi killers

> East. Berlin (Reuter) - An East German court jailed two former Nazi police officials for life yesterday for their part in the killing of tens of thousands of Jewish men, womeo and

Eberhard Täschner, a traio guard with the 41st Reserve Police Battalion, and the uoii's commaoder, Kuri Brückner, both admitted their guilt over the killings in the Warsaw ghetto, other Nazi-occupied Polish cities, and

labour camps. Bruckner was convicted of taking part in the murder of 10,000 Polish Jews in a matter of hours at the Trawniki SS lahour camp in 1943 Taschner was found guilty o helping to seal off the Warsaw

Yes, they have some bananas

Geneva - A country-wide coalition of groups io Switzer land, many of them church related, are selling 125 tonne of Nicaraguan bananas to hel: in breaking the trade embarge imposed by the United State on that country, where ba nanas are normally a majo foreign-exchange earner.

Left holds Manitoba

Ottawa ~ Canada's oni socialist government has bee returned to office in th Manitoba provincial electio (Joho Besi writes). The Ner Democratic Party (NDP) too 31 seats, the Conservatives 2 and the Liberals one.

In 1981 the NDP won 34 t 23, and this time their share ( the vote slipped from 47 pc ceot to 42.

Beirut (Reuter) - Beirt irport has suspended nigh flights temporarily afte thieves blacked out runway hy stealing power cables.

Blacked out

**US** refuge Tokyo (AP) - Mr Valer Polyanin, a Soviet sailor wh rowed into Japanese wate

ast month in a rubber raft, hi The new 577-seat Assembly been granted asylum in the United States. Police purge

Lima (Reuter) - The Per vian Government has di missed 238 senior poli-officers, including at least colooels, in its latest purge

Danube hover Vienna - A British bove craft has been launched oo t Danube to link Vienna au

Budapest. Women jailed Stuttgart (Reuter) - Thi West German women we

imprisoned for eight to years for membership of Red Army Faction guerri group and related offences. Jordan yesterday declared that his efforts to negotiate a joint Jordanian-PLO peace drive had reached a dead end (Alice

Clean-out

Sydoey (Reuter) - Abo 500 passeogers were strand here when Qantas cabin cre went on strike, saying I refresher towels they hand out were unhygienic.

Smoke screet

Portland, Oregon (UPI) Police Chief Penoy Harris ton has ruled that all ans cants for police jobs m pledge never to touch tobac Her ban on smoking a chewing tobacco in pol vehicles and offices v blocked by a union protest.



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## South Africa braced for civil turmoil in work stoppage | Life jail township some 40 miles south other than rifles, 12-bore shotof Johannesburg, when police guns and pistols. In 0 joint statement yesterworkers doing kitchen duties township some 40 miles south other than rifles, 12-bore shotthat only nurses and hospital workers doing kitchen duties and paid public holidays as used to be reported from many people, including six African parts yesterday. Three black and Indian anti-apartheid men were stabled to death by campaigners who took refuge

Johannesburg

icul and trude union restricting black movements.

On the same day last year, On the same day last year, 20 blacks were killed and 27

and the Congress of South African Trade Unions

dren and a criminal gang in Soweto earlier this week rose

to five.

Tension between the superpowers grows Moscow claims US

ships were spying From Christopher Walker, Moscow

The dapper Mr Lomeiko — one of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov's two main press

spokesmen - repeated firmly that this year's summit would

only be held if it was clear in

advance that it would achieve

concrete agreements. This re-mained the position of the

Soviet Union and "cannot be

is getting more intensified, not

because of the Soviet Union,

but because the US does not

want to give up their policy of

the ouclear arms race . . . and

because of their action to

intensify tension in the

believed that it could take

PLO man's visit dismays Israel

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Israeli diplomats yesterday With memories of the fiasco dan and Mr Yassir Arafat,

expressed dismay that a series of last year's abortive meeting head of the PLO.

Mr Kaddoumi, who is in tween a top member of the Sir Geoffrey Howe, the ForPalestine Liberation Organieign Secretary, still fresh, in win support for his organiza-

zation, senior Foreign Office people's minds, officials tion after recent setbacks, officials and Opposition lead-stressed that the talks which explained the PLO's version

took place at a party given by

Mr Dennis Walters, Conser-

vative MP for Westbury, were

The meetings were said to be part of a regular series of

Wednesday's talks focused

on the current impasse in the

between King Husain of Jor-

Middle East peace process after the breakdown in talks

private and unofficial.

Mr Lomeiko repeated

regions.

"The situation in the world

changed in principle".

The Kremlin stepped up its tension whose cause lies in the ular, has made Western obattacks on the White House yesterday, accusing the US of stirring up a oumber of regional conflicts and of mounting a threat to the worl an espionage mission in the Black Sea last week which had been authorized personally by Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Central America and Unita forces fighting in Angola.

Defence Secretary. The accusations were made at a press conference given by Mr Vladimir Lomeiko, chief spokesman for the Soviet Foreign Ministry. It was the second called by him in 48 hours, underlining the growing tension between the superpowers and the rapid evaporation of the "spirit of

In answer to a question, Mr Lomeiko acknowledged publicly for the first time in recent months that US-Soviet relations were deteriorating, but denied that this was any fault of the Soviet Union.

He blamed the White claims that the Soviet Union House for "fanning the remained in favour of a tensions" by ordering the second summit if it was clear fourth in a series of large naval that agreements on security manoeuvres off Libya in less could be reached and still than three months.

"The news coming from the

ers have been beld in London

The Foreign Office con-firmed yesterday that Mr Fa-rouk Kaddoumi, the PLO's

Foreign Minister", had an

informal meeting on Wednes-day with Sir David Miers,

Under Secretary responsible for the Middle East, and Mr

Patrick Nixon, head of the

Coalition

wins Dutch

local polls

From Robert Schuil

Amsterdam

With the Dutch parliamen-tary elections on May 21 only

Near East department.

He said American actions about the chances of the off Libya harboured "seeds of second summit being staged a threat to the world at large", and he linked them with US sides are in the process already of trying to absolve themselves from any hlame if it fails to come off," one diplo-

servers more pessimistic

Yesterday Mr Lomeiko rejected the claim by the US Defence Department that the two American warships which penetrated six miles inside Soviet territorial waters in the Black Sea last week were exercising the right of innocent passage.

"What was involved here was not innocent passage, but a clearly provocative passage in clear violation of the state border of the Soviet Union and including an attempt to conduct espionage."

The decision to send the cruiser Yorktown and destroyer Caron to within six miles of the southern coast of the Crimean peninsula had been a political move taken in Washington and designed to eavesdrop on the Soviet Union. Official US attempts to justify the "violation" were "totally irrelevant", as it had taken region is very alarming." Mr. Mounting public criticism place "in the vicinity of the Lomeiko said, "What is going on there is an escalation of President Reagan in partic- on traditional seaways".

of why these talks had ended.

held talks with Mr Neil

Kinnock, the Labour Party

leader, and Mr Denis Healey,

the party's spokesman on foreign affairs.

The meeting with Labour leaders particularly dismayed Israeli diplomats in London

because of the party's tradi-tional friendship towards

Mr Kaddoumi had earlier

#### briefing for Nato From Frederick Bonnart

Würzburg

Serious European concerns about the Strategic Defence Initiative and the implications of arms control proposals for a reduction of medium-range missiles have resulted in American action. At yesterday's meeting of

Nato's nuclear planning group in the romantic setting of a mediaeval Bavarian town, Lientenant-Geoeral James Abrahamson, the director of the American SDI organization, emphasized to defence ministers the importance attached to defence against

shorter-range missiles which threatened Europe. In a detailed briefing, during which he demonstrated high- end." technology items on which a breakthrough had been made by vast reductions in size and cost, General Abrahamson said: "As opposed to all those who say that it cannot be done, the technological side of the

problem is much easier than the political." Herr Manfred Worner, the German Minister of Defence, said that the federal republic fully supported the research programme, and that "the protection of Europe against medium and shorter-range missiles had to be included from the start". American recognition of this had made possible an agreement between the two governments which would allow German

ndustry to participate. Mr George Younger, Secre-tary of State for Defence, said in his maiden address to Nato ministers that good progress was being made in British participation.

#### Hopes dim for survivors in hotel ruins

Singapore (AP) - Three bodies were dug out of the ruins of the collapsed Hotel New World yesterday, dampening the hopes of people who have stood vigil for six days in the belief that their relatives might have survived.

Officials said the latest count was 17 survivors and 20 dead. No survivors have been found since Tuesday night.

"I've been listening to the radio every hour. There's still oo news, but there's still a slight chance. That's all we hope," said Mr Chang Kian Yong, waiting for word about his uncle, Mr Png Eng Huat, who worked at the hotel.

Engineers said at least 10 bodies remained trapped, including a young woman on a motorcycle, seen by rescuers who burrowed under the con-Moroccans failed to vote. by strikes in another area are tation with organized labour. crete rubble.

## Star Wars Death report marks veteran assemblyman's election

From Diana Geddes, Paris The newspaper's manage- but will adopt a position of

Hardly had M Marcel Dassault, the 94-year-old ment admitted that the anfounder of the aeronautics nouocement had been without ipation". company which bears his name, finished celebrating his fouodation, adding that its "good faith" had been abused. party leader, has given a The Ministry of the loterior warning that the National election as the oldest member of the new National Assembly, when he read of his death on the front page of a Freoch national newspaper, "Marcel Dassault is dead"

Mrs Mila Mulroney, wife of the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Brian Mulroney, playing with children at Washington Children's Hospital while her husband was otherwise engaged, discussing matters of state with President Reagan.

ran the headline in yesterday's edition of Le Quotidien de

An amused M Dassault, who was born in 1892 and has been a member of Parliament for 35 years, immediately rang Agence France-Presse to eod the rumour. "I'm not doing so badly," be said. "I've got the 'flu, but it's coming to an

Paris.

Quotidien.

M Dassault had boped to be able to exercise his right, as the veteran of the new Assembly, to preside over its opening oo

April 2. He said he did not intend to take any action against the has published a new list of the Front would vote with the results of the weekend geoeral election for all but two seats in against any attempt by the two overseas departments, right to abandon proportional which will be decided by representation and return to ballot oo Sunday.

The latest figures show that the Gaullist RPR and centreright UDF won only 276 seats between them, well short of system. the 289 needed to form an absolute majority.

addition of one more seat on

The extreme-right National

the same as the Communists, says it will not engage in a systematic oppositioo against the new right-wing majority

includes 33 women, five more elected on "diverse right" all from 5.9 per cent to 5.5 per cent.

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"support without partic-

M Jean-Marie Le Pen, the

Communists and Socialists

estimated that the Froot

would have obtained only

seveo seats under the old

Front, credited with 35 seats, Hebdo.

#### François Jalkh, aged 28, a journalist with the National Front oewspaper, National Ooe of General de Gaulle's grandsoos, M Jean de Gaulle,

is among those who have won Husain sees

dead end in

peace talks

Brinton writes).

Cairo - King Husain of

After meeting President Mubarak of Egypt for four hours, he said: "We are all

concerned with the objective

of ohtaining a just and durable

peace in the area. It's ohvious,

as far as our current assets in

Jordan are concerned, we

have had a very serious set-

back or reached a dead end, so

to speak, for the time being."
President Mubarak, who
stood beside King Husain at

Quhbah Palace while he made

the statement, said he had

## Syria blames Iraq for lorry bombing

From Robert Fisk, Beirut Deciding at last to publicize

the lorry bomb which killed dozens of people in Damascus last week, the Syrians yesterday told the Arah League that Iraqi agents had set off the explosion. In a letter of protest to Mr

Chedli Klibi, the League's Secretary General, Mr Farouk al-Sharaa, the Syrian Foreign Minister, said that an Iraqi had driven the bomh into Syria îo a refrigeratioo lorry and that the detonation resulted "in many casualties among innocents".

The Iraqis have denied iovolvement in the bombing, although Syrian state televi-sion has already interviewed a man who confessed to bring-ing the truck into the country after being hlackmailed by Iraqi secret police following a fatal road accident in

The Syrians still refuse to state exactly how many people died in the explosion, al-though the Lebanese Phal-angist "Voice of Lebanon" radio — which first reported the news - says that 60 people were killed and 110 wounded.

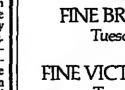
Mr al-Sharaa's letter also appeared to be an attempt to excuse the initial suppression of news about the bombing. "Although preliminary investigations showed the truck came from Iraq across Jordan, we waited until the driver was

Irish gun battle Irish troops of the UN force in southern Lebanon fought a gun battle with Israel's South Lebanon Army militia yesterday after Lebanese guerrillas ambushed an SLA armoured vehicle (Robert Fisk writes from Beirut). No casualties

were reported. aporehended," he wrote, "He confessed he is an ageot of the Iraqi regime and his confessioo has been recorded on tape with his own voice."

In fact, the driver is believed to be Lebanese. He said on Syrian television that he had been told to detooate the explosives near the Syriao Officers' Cluh in Damascus.

In what appears to be a very rare touch of ironic humour on his part, President Saddam Hussein of Iraq refuted the Syriao claim that his country was involved in the bombing. Iraq could never contemplate harming its Syrian brethren who are heartfully with the people of Iraq in its stand in defending Arah honour and solidarity," he said.



oothing to add.

The Iraqis, of course, be-lieve quite the opposite; in their eyes, Syria — far from defending Arab honour — is besmirching it by its alliance with Iran against the Baghdad

#### Candidates run for cover in 'Beirut on the lake' passions have run high," the wards where elections were streets than at any election in

From Christopher Thomas New York

About one-third of the elec-

torate probably votes differ-

ently in local elections than it

More than 100,000 resident

does in a national poll.

election.

Chicago is at war again.
"Beirut on the lake". 2s
someone unkindly dubbed tha city, has been holding elec-tions to the local council in time-honoured style.

Mr Manuel Torres, the Democratic candidate for alderman in Ward 26, fled for cover as a gumnan fired several shots at him while he was 31, leapt aside and a speeding campaigning. The tecnage ployed by someone as a bit man, has been charged with attempted murder.

Police found it outside Mr Torres's campaign headquarters but defused it in time. The Torres camp blamed Mr Luis Gutiérrez, the rival candidate, who foriously proclaimed his

spondent writes).

One candidate was deliberately mown down by a car but miraculously survived. In a similar incident Mr Migdalia Cozzalo, a candidate in Ward car missed him by inches.

Because of the violence and allegations of illegal campaign tactics, more US attorneys and

US marshals have been on the

the city's history. Several candidates have received death threats. One of

The Trades Union Federa

the phenomena of election day on Wednesday was the presence of young Puerto Rican and black men standing ominously on street corners. handing out candidates' leaflets. Many people crossed the road to avoid them. They looked nothing like normal campaign workers. Rather, it appeared that some candidates decided to recruit gang

Chicago Sun-Times observed in an editorial. "But what else is new? This is Chicago where neonie take elections seriously and personally."

Mayor Harold Washington is desperately battling to end a 29-member majority coalition that has opposed him on most issues since he took office three years ago. He accused political rivals of stealing ballot papers on polling day. His rivals made similar claims. A judge decided to order ballots to be impounded

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taking place. To add to the confusion, another judge ordered polling

stations to remain open an extra two hours in 40 precincts in those three wards because they had opened late in the morning. Because of the muddle the outcome was still unclear yesterday. ● WASHINGTON:Two fol-

lowers of the extreme rightwing maverick. Lyndon LaRouche, both political unknowns, won a surprising election in the Illinois Demo-"Yes, yawns are rare and in three of the seven council cratic primary, throwing into folly of Lyndon LaRonche".

writes). Illinois Democrats were as-

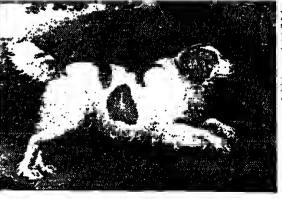
tonished that the two candidates, Mark Faircbild and Janice Hart, on Tuesday beat Mr Stevenson's hand-picked nominee for the post of Lieutenant-Governor and Secretary of State.

disarray the campaign of the party's nominee for governor, former Senator Adlai Stevenson III (Michael Binyon

Mr Stevenson immediately

announced that he would not run on o ticket with candidates who espoused "the hate-filled





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The reform, passed by 265 tion (DGB), backed by the

votes to 210 after a bitter SPD and the Greens, has

debate, changes the system accused the Kohl Govern-under which workers affected ment of a deliberate confron-

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# Polish priests make bitter attack on vetting of teachers

the role of religion in schools, with many priests bitterly criticizing the vetting of teachers for their beliefs and what they describe as "atheistic

propaganda". Mr Jerzy Urban, the Government's spokesman, yesterday gave a warning against "the clericalization of schooling and the school system", and attacked the priests of a number of parishes for trying to create a battleground between Church and

The vetting was no more or less than a series of talks with teachers before the usual round of promotions, he said. Poland's bishops last week launched a broadside against the authorities on several issues: the number of political prisoners, atheist hias in the school curriculum, and re-

strictions on church huilding. The Church has, however, stepped in to defuse a poten-tially serious problem for the authorities by calling on Solidarity hunger strikers to end their fast, so far with little

Representatives of a church committee to aid political prisoners visited Warsaw's on and passed on an appeal to the fasters from Cardinal Jozef

According to the authorities, there are only four hunger strikers among Poland's 159 non-criminal — that is, politi-

Kourou, French Guyana

(Reuter) - An argent inquiry

began yesterday into the dra-

matic aborted launch of an

Ariane rocket carrying two

satellites, and Arianespace of-ficials said they hoped to schedule a relaunch in eight to

The last-minute termination

of the launch on Wednesday,

which was triggered by a

failure of flight computers to

register a crucial piece of data

seconds before lift-off, came as

psychological blow

the Roman Catholic Church are locked in a new row over locked in a new and the Church are afraid that nearly 50lb. Solidarity sources the most prominent activist, say be has lost more than 65lb Mr Czeslaw Bielecki, is seri- and that he has heart

ously ill. The authorities play down the fasters and have been feeding them artificially. There has been no case of a Ministry official, said. "in contrast to Ireland when no action was taken to keep

hunger strikers alive." But he and other members of the prison administration. giving a remarkably detailed account of life behind bars, made it clear that the Government was keen to end the fasting as soon as possible. Quite apart from humanitarthing that the authorities want

is a Solidarity martyr. step progress towards a papal visit to Poland next year. It is still on the offensive - Polish number of political prisoners recently, they also attacked the religious vetting of teachers. atheist propaganda in schools and restrictions on church huilding - but Church advis-

**Inquest into Ariane launch failure** 

been the first from a new

launchpad, completed last summer with the aim of don-

bling Ariane's launch capacity

M Frédéric d'Allest, said that

it was too early to blame the

problem on the lannchpad. But

the fault was "clearly a ground-equipment problem".

gen and bydrogen tanks will

have to be checked for damage

they may have sustained in the

seconds after the aborted lift-

The third-stage liquid oxy-

The Arianespace president,

to around 10 flights a year.

The Polish authorities and cal - prisoners. But three of Jerzy Possart, said that Mr

Mr Bielecki was arrested in the prospect of death among April and has been charged with preparing to overthrow state. However, the charges have not yet been death by hunger strike in a presented formally to the Polish prison, Colonel court and he is regarded, like Stanislaw Wrona, a Justice more than 100 other political prisoners, as being under 'temporary arrest".

In presenting the government case - and in the interests of making favourable comparisons with Western prison systems - officials have been giving rare insights into the everyday life of

There were 112,000 prisoners in Poland, Colonel Wrona ian considerations, the last said, but only a dozen or so thing that the authorities want escaped annually. The number of executions every year The Church fears, too, that was very low, rarely exceeding a hunger strike tragedy would three and usually less. Politi-disrupt the careful step-by- cal prisoners did not have to work and were given an appropriate diet — a calorie intake of 2,600. They were hishops not only criticized the allowed to receive six food parcels a year, and in some

cases allowed to read books Church sources argue that even when a prisoner has full privileges his life is far from idyllic: letters, for example, ers want to create a situation can be received only from a wherehy the Government restricted list of acceptable feels relaxed enough to make correspondents, and church large concessions to Catholics. aid packages have to be explic-The Rakowiecka doctor, Dr itly requested and authorized.

depressurize them rapidly.

Space officials were pleased

and relieved with the perfect

functioning of the automatic

computer safety mechanism which triggered the launch

that the final seconds of

countdown could have led to a

potentially catastrophic explo-sion had the first-stage main

engines ignited while the rock-

et was still attached to its



General Fabian Ver, former Philippines chief of staff, leaving the courtroom in Alexandria, Virginia, after appearing before a grand jury investigating alleged fraud and kick-backs in Pentagon-financed contracts during the rule of the deposed President Marcos.

## Panama likely to accept Marcos

request for asylum by the deposed Philippines President, Mr Ferdinand Marcos, and his wife, Imelda, had been

accepted. One source said that the Government would probably announce acceptance of the request for "humanitarian reasons". The source refused to give any details and would not say when Mr Marcos might arrive from Hawaii or where he would stay in Panama. He fled to Hawaii from Manila last month on a US

military plane. Radio Mundial reported earlier that the US was informed officially yesterday of Panama's decision to accept Mr Marcos, but cited no sources. US Embassy officials here declined to comment.

Panama's refusal to comment on the radio report added to speculation that Mr Marcos's request had already been accepted.

Reagan Administration of-Marcos is unhappy about the the American media over his methods of gaining great wealth for himself and his

In Washington, the State

#### Department said that it had Panamanian government been in touch with several sources said yesterday that a countries on Mr Marcos's countries on Mr Marcos's behalf, but would not confirm reports that these included Spain, which has already turned him down, Panama

and Mexico. Mr Marcos himself could not be contacted, and the Pacific Command said the first official word would probably come from the State

Department, The new President of the Philippines, Mrs Corazon Aquino, bas said that she will not ask for his extradition or object to his staying in the US.

A Panamanian military source said yesterday: "If Marcos wants to boy Contadora, we'll sell it to him for \$50 million (£30 million)." He was referring to Contadora island, the resort on the Pacific coast where the Shah

Observers here have noted that Mr Marcos's wealth, more than humanitarian reasons, would probably give him ficials have said that Mr a ticket into Panama. "Business is business," the military source said.

of Iran took refuge in 1980.

going to have to make some hig investments."

#### Sindona in | Thousands in Dhaka poll march

From Ahmed Fazl Dhaka

At least 30,000 people marched through Dhaka under a hlazing sun yesterday in protest against the parliamentary election called for April 26 by the military ruler, President Ershad.

The demonstration, orga-nized by the opposition 15party and seven-party alliances and the fundamentalist Jamaat-i-Islami, demanded the ending of martial law and General Ershad's resignation. Organizers said that the

demonstration marked the beginning of three days of protest, which would end with a countrywide general strike on Saturday — the day originally set for filing nominations for

the polls.

Marchers with party flags and banners chanted "Down with military rule" as thousands of police in full riot gear marked the Perident's relative to the product of the product guarded the President's palace and roads. The country's two largest

opposition parties yesterday had a writ challenging an amendment of an election law by General Ershad disallowed by the Supreme Court.

#### **Filipino** rebels kill mayor

From Keith Dalton Manila

Communist rebels have ambushed a Jeep in the northern Philippines, killing a mayor and his three security guards in the first political killing by left-wing insurgents since President Aquino took power

last month. In the southern port city of Zamboanga, 300 rebels of the New People's Army attacked a military camp, killing eight people in a four-hour battle. the state news agency

reported. "We cannot allow innocent civilians and soldiers to be butchered," the Defence Minister, Mr Juan Ponce Enrile, said after the killing of his childhood friend. Mr Francisco Baclig, mayor of his bome town of Gonzaga, in Cagayan province.

After killing Mr Baclig and his escorts, the rebels set fire to the Jeep before fleeing with rifles and a pistol taken from the dead men.

The news agency gave few details of the Zamboanga A source close to President looted the camp, taking rifles del Valle of Panama said: "If and ammunition. It said more he wants to come here, he's than 120 people had died in rebel attacks in the past three

The resurgence in attacks came as the armed forces chief, General Fidel Ramos, told military commanders that no formal ceasefire was in force, despite efforts by Mrs Aquino to seek a truce in the 17-year insurgency.

General Ramos told provincial commanders to maintain present troop strength and deployment of forces", emphasizing that Mrs Aquino's peace efforts were no reason to relax our security posture".

An unofficial ceasefire es-tablished earlier this month in central Luzon, north of Manila, has been called off and

# Israeli anger

The shooting in Cairo

has expressed his country's been strained over several sorrow over Wednesday political issues and aggravated night's attack on Israeli diplomats here and has said that Egypt is committed to peace and will work to improve relations between the two countries.

Israel's Minister of Tourism, Mr Abraham Sharir, and the Israeli Ambassador. to Cairo, Mr Moshe Sasson, met President Mubarak yesterday. reportedly at Mr Mubarak's request, in the wake of the attack which left one Isracii woman dead and three other Israeli diplomats wounded.

After the meeting, Mr Sharir appeared gratified by the Egyptian response and said that the incident would not damage relations. "The President repeated many times in our conversation that he is committed to the cause of peace and to cementing that peace between our two countries," he said, and added: "He will do everything in his power to move step by step so that our two countries can enjoy peace and prosperity in

A group calling itself "Egypt's Revolution", which admitted responsibility for two previous attacks on Israeli diplomats here, has also claimed that it was behind the amhush of the four Israelis.

It happened at 7pm as the four were on their way home from the Cairo International Trade Fair.

Cairo radio yesterday quoted an unidentified witness as saying that two cars were involved in the shooting: one blocked the Israelis' light blue Peugeot as another pulled alongside. Gunmen in the cars then opened fire with auto-

matic weapons. The three wounded Israelis

as investigations by Egyptian authorities got under way.

Mubarak soothes

From Alice Brinton, Cairo President Hosni Muharak Egypt and Israel have long

> further by a series of attacks on Israelis in Egypt. Last October an Egyptian border policeman opened fire and killed seven Israeli tourists in Sinai. The Israelis have been unhappy at the Egyptians' explanation and han

gel:

dling of the affair. Last August an Israeli diplomat, Mr Albert Atrakchi, was gunned down in a residential submb of Cairo and two women with him were injured. In June 1984, a similar incident left another Israeli diplomat injured.

Both attacks on the diplo mats have been admitted by Egypt's Revolution, but no one seems to know just who its members are.

While some Western diplomats and Egyptians have said they are at a loss as to the identity of the group, they have also suggested that it may be backed by hardline Arab elements opposed to Egypt's peace with Israel and the Camp David accord.

· JERUSALEM: Terrorism will not succeed in halting Israel's efforts to establish full peace with Egypt, the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Shimon Peres, said yesterday (lan Murray writes). Regardless of the pain, the dialogue had to continue: there was no

alternative. The Foreign Ministry spokesman here was at pain to play down the political significance of the shooting.

You can't ignore some-thing like that," he said. "But we won't allow such a murder to interfere with our desire to move ahead in our relations with the Egyptians."

The Egyptian Governmen were flown out early yesterday be said, was not behind the morning on an Israeli Air attack and would do everybe said, was not behind the Force jet, but the body of Mrs thing possible to ensure such a Etti Tal-Or was kept in Cairo thing did not happen again. As one precaution, Israel is

likely to ask again that its cars The attack happened while used in Egypt are not required two Israeli delegations are in to carry diplomatic licence Cairo on fence-mending mis-sions. Relations between which embassy uses them.

#### **Poodle and Porsche** set shuns Americans

The United States Embassy not sufficiently set back from here is starting to look like an the street.

orphan nobody wants to take Now the Americans have

Parliament Hill. The National whose residents find the whole Capital Commission wants to idea exceedingly distasteful. take over the gracious old building as part of its long-term plan to develop hill Porsche set", and an adjacent

The Americans have shown interest in a number of locales, including a square in down michang a square in down-town Ottawa and a lovely green island in a small river in the north-eastern part of the city. But in both cases, local authorities have succeeded in blocking any deals.

Another location, on Sussex Drive not far from Parliament Hill, was actually accepted by the Americans but then rejected for security reasons - it was would bring into their midst.

# From John Best, Ottawa

their eyes on Mile Circle, a looking for a new home for the edge of the Ottawa River years; ever since the Cauadian and owned by the NCC. But Government told them they the trouble with this location is would have to vacate the that it abuts the Rockliffe present embassy building in Park Village, an exclusive Wellington Street across from residential neighbourhood

> neighbourhood of Manor Park, has mounted a strenuous campaign aimed at dis-suading the NCC from going through with its tentative plan to turn over about 10 acres of Mile Circle's 52 acres to the

Apart from losing a place to stroll and walk their dogs residents fear their peacefu lives will be disrupted by anti-US demonstrations which, they contend, the embassy



#### Four years old. Seriously underweight for her age. Scavenging for food where she can find it. And she's English. With a stepfather who refused to ack-

The flight was to be have off, when technicians had to

nowledge her existence and a mother too frightened to help her, this child was being slowly and deliberately starved.

She'd reached the point where she was feeding herself out of dustbins. It didn't happen in the famine stricken

third world, it happened in an English town,

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# coma after life term

Milan (Reuter) - Michele Sindona, the jailed Sicilian financier, is in intensive care in a coma and unlikely to recover, according to doctors. recover, according to doctors. He was taken to hospital yesterday from his prison cell. Sindoma, aged 65, was jailed for life on Tuesday for having ordered the murder in 1979 of Signor Giorgio Ambrosoli, a lawyer appointed to wind up his failed Banca Privata Italiana.

He was not in court when the sentence was handed down, but later gave a television interview in which his health appeared to be normal.

During the last hearing of his trial, he was taken ill in court but quickly recovered.

court but quickly recovered. Sindona had previously been sentenced to 25 years' jail in the United States for fraud after his Franklin National Bank collapsed. A Milan court sentenced him to 15 years on similar charges after the 1974 failure of his Italian banking

At his latest trial, the prosecution said that Sindona had wanted to rid himself of Ambrosoli because the lawyer opposed his efforts to gather political support for a revival of his Italian businesses.

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YUGOSLAVIA Part 1

On Sunday Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, arrives in Yugoslavia for a two-day visit. In the first of two articles Richard Dowden reports from Belgrade on the country's politics six years after the death of President Tito.

The search for leadership

# Belgrade's 'cart' is deep in the mire with nowhere to go

There is an old Serbian pensant saying that if your cart gets stack in the mad you find a new team of horses to pull it out. Everyone in Yugo-slavin today, including the Communist Government, adults that the country is stack deep in the mud: but what galls many people is that the group trying to get it out is the same one that got it there in the first place.

At the same time they admit that there is no alternative to the League of Communists, as the party is called here. The lengue still claims particular legitimacy from its guerrilla struggle against Fascist occupation during the Second World War. "It was the only party which remained with the people during the War," one senior party official explained. While there are now year. At the same time they admit

While there are now very few serving at senior govern-ment level who actually fought, the country's only other political forces are es-sentially antionalist factions.

"Nationalism is not just folklore in our country. There would be serious consequences from nationalist tensions. Fascists already play on the nationalist issues," said the party official, pointing out that 97 Yugoslav diplomats and civilians have been assassinated by anti-Communists in recent years.

Even though the party can claim, with justification, that without it there would be no Yugoslavia, many would point out that the party is tainted, if not crippled, by the very disease from which it claims to protect the country.

Power in Yugoslavia lies with party officials at republic and provincial level. The six republics and two provinces which make up the federation are so disparate in wealth, culture, religion and attitude



Mr Mikulic threatened to resign in January.

reflect those differences.

One observer said: "Whenever a deputy speaks in Parlia-ment I do not need to know his name or where he is from I know immediately from the tone of his speech which area's interests he is protecting."

The most able people find they wield more power at provincial level, and stay there. In his acceptance speech in January, Mr Branko Mikulic, the incoming Prime Minister, threatened to resign if the best candidates for the Federal Government did not come forward.

The 1974 Constitution tried to cope with the national problem by building the system around consensus and by rotating senior posts round the constituent republics. "It is a bit like the EEC, but with twice the boreascracy and none of the unanimity," said one observer.

As long as Tito was alive everyone knew where power ky, but no one is emerging with the personal authority to unite the nation. Many would



say that Yugoslavia's present Mr Andreas Papandreou, the problems arise from the 1974 Greek Prime Minister, at a Constitution, and call for radical changes.

The most serious manifesta-

to the present system. But reaching consensus takes time and does not always achieve the best solution, particularly when tough economic decisions are needed. Decisions which are made are sometimes between the differently in differ ity to overrule them.

the system very open and the issues are discussed freely inside and outside the party. fronically it is often the loyal party men who defend the system, while the "dissidents" call for stronger government.

Belgrade listens to what is said in Moscow but has never Union since Tito broke away from Stalin in 1948. Non-aligned Yugoslavia votes against the Soviet Union over Afghanistan and against Viet-nam over Cambodia at the United Nations, and the Russians complain about this at every opportunity.

nor can there be any question-ing of the basic facts, but there A crucin phenomena; for example, over wrongly-placed investment," said the party official.

The level of tolerance varies from area to area. Bosuia and Croatia are the most repressive, Slovenia and Serbia the most liberal. At present there are about 2,000 political prisoners, most of them held in connection with the troubles in Kosovo, where 1.5 million Albanians are steadily over-whehming the Serbs, who are leaving the area at the rate of 2,000 a month.

The Serbs believe that the Muslim Albanians are forcing their fellow Serbs out of the birthplace of the medieval land to them, and feelings are beginning to run very high.

Tomorrow: Economic crisis.

#### Britain urges **Cyprus** dialogue

From Mario Modiano

Britain is urging Greece and Turkey to open an "across-the-board" diplomatic dia-logue in an effort to resolve the Cyprus crisis and to restore Nato unity in the

region. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, arrived here last night and is expected to put Britaio's argument to

The most serious manifestation is the disfilusionment of
the Serbs. Yngoslavia cannot
survive without the assent of
the Serbs, the largest single
population group.

The British view was explained to a fairly receptive
Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turkish
Prime Minister, when he visited London in mid-February.
Britain regards new proposals for Cyprus to be submitted
shortly by Señor Javier Pérez In view of the lack of shortly by Schor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN Secretaryer, there seems no alternative General, as a last chance. Its

interpreted differently in dif-ferent regions and the contral when Mr Papandreou ex-Government lacks the author- pressed scepticism about Seoor Perez de Cuellar's The lack of authority makes initiative, which, he said, would be a waste of time unless it met two conditions: first, that Turkish troops withdraw from Cyprus before the implementation of a federal solution; and secondly, that Turkey should have no unilateral intervention rights in the

sertlement The British position now is felt dominated by the Seviet that these contentious proposals should be resolved by direct Greek-Turkish oego-

tiation. Britain believes that dia-logue would also help to eliminate bilateral points of frictioo which have disrupted Nato defence planning in the

Yogoslavia is the world's most free Communist state, but it retains an armoury of repressive measures against those who attack the system.

"We want to see a strong and effective defence in Nato's south-eastern flank," a repressive measures against "Uotil there is a more stable "Italianship between Greece" region.
"We want to see a strong "Newspapers here cannot relationship between Greece take an anti-Communist line, and Turkey, this will not be

A crucial problem is whethcan be criticism of concrete er under existing treaties the Greek island of Lemnos, at the mouth of the Dardanelles, can be militarized. The Greeks maintain it can, and the Turks insist it cannot.

Greece is boycotting all Nato manocuvres in the Aegean until Nato accepts its view by incorporating the island in the exercises. The alhance has urged the two sides to sort out the problem bilaterally. Sir Geoffrey's visit here i

the first bilateral official visit by a British Foreign Secretary since Sir Anthony Eden's in

He will find the one-time nonconformist Mr Papand-reou much mellowed by his concern over Greece's economic and defence problems.

 Turkish troops are present in northern Cyprus, not Greek troops, as stated yesterday.

# Japan wins 'right' to vet textbooks

From David Watts Tokyo

The Tokyo High Court has confirmed that the Japanese Government has the right to decide the cootent of school textbooks. The decision will strengthen the revisionist mood in teaching Second World War history.

The roling was on a 12-yearold appeal that revision of school textbooks by the Education Ministry was unconstitutional and an abuse of discretionary powers.

In 1974 the Tokyo district court upheld the ministry's right to intervene in the compilation of textbooks, but found it had gone too far by making Professor Saburo lenaga rewrite parts of a book before resubmitting it. It or-dered the state to pay him

in damages.

This week's ruling over-turned those findings and turned down the claim for damages. It was welcomed immediately by Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, who said he had never believed the ministry had acted unconstitutionally.

The ruling backs Mr Nakasone's campaign for Ja-pan to rid itself of some of the ioflueoces of its American-imposed Constitution and become more nationalistic.

The case originally arose over the rejection of a history text submitted by Professor lenaga, now retired from the Tokyo University of Educa-tion, for the academic year 1962. The book was accepted the following year after he had

to the War.

Since then he has been fighting a campaign oo history teaching in Japanese schools. His campaign blew up into a diplomatic confrontation with South Korea and China in 1982, when it was reported that the ministry had ordered textbook writers to describe Japan's invasion of China as an "advance".

Most Japanese schools teach an anodyne version of the War which says little about events before Pearl Harbour. Professor lenaga has always insisted that the Japanese should look at the War in the longer perspective and regard its real beginning as 1931, when the Japanese Army moved into China. Judge Kiyoshi Suzuki yes-terday said that the Govern-

100,000 yen (now about £388) revised some of his references ment was empowered by the Constitution to implement an appropriate education policy and to intervene in what is taught in classrooms to an extent it deems necessary and reasonable. Screening textbooks was oeither a violation of freedom of speech nor of education law.

Professor lenaga, a frail figure who has two other cases the courts, said after the hearing that his involvement in history teaching had taught him to take the long-term perspective.

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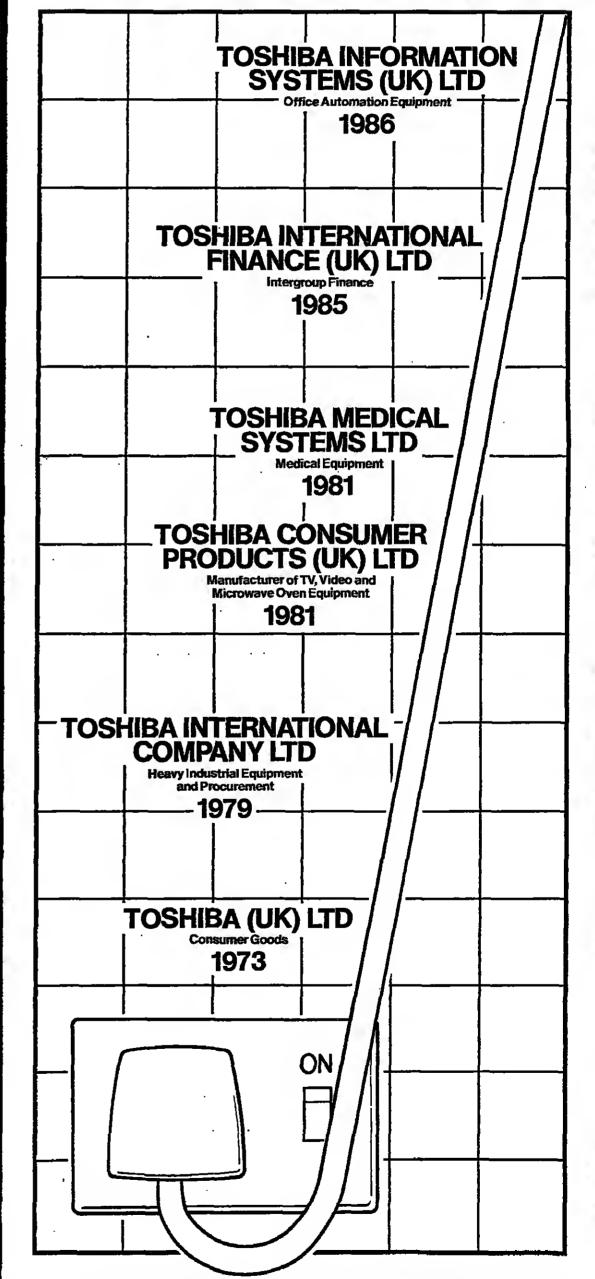
Tokyo - Three Tokyo iunior high school teachers have been discharged by the Board of Education after one of their students committed suicide. In the first case of its kind three other teachers were disciplined (David Watts writes).

The teacher in charge of Hirofumi Shikagawa's second-year class actually drafted the eulogy for a mock funeral which bullies at the school staged for the boy, who hanged himself in November.

Two of the three other teachers who signed the eulogy had their pay cut and the third was reprimanded. They are also to have a year's special training.

A natioowide Ministry of Education survey of the bullying problem between April and October last year found that 155,066 cases of bullying had been reported at 39,415

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## **SPECTRUM**

# The rising tide of moderation

The Social Democratic Party is five years old next week; has it broken the mould of British politics? Alan Franks reports from a town where it has achieved its aim of a radical change in voting patterns

lodges in a once rural rump of Hertfordshire, 35 miles to the north of the capital whose overspill it was designed to

Thirty years after its construction it seems as dated as only newish things can be - a sprawl of housing estates and industrial sites radiating outwards from a core which was once a small country town of 7,000 residents. Today the population is mnre than seven times that number.

Stevenage is now high up the SDP's shapping list of parliamentary constituencies, together with such targets as Swindon, Cardiff North, Blyth Valley and Exeter and in its shifting demography can be charted the wider story of the new party's national

For this is an area which, nn less than British politics, finds itself in a state of transition. The industries that came in the 1950s have thinned nut - many of them are subsidiaries of large manufacturing companies - and unemployment now stands at 12.6 per cent, one third higher than the average for south-east England and nearly twice the overall rate for

But as the traditional employers have receded - Kodak, Bowater, Mentmore Industrial - so the newer ones arrive; hi-tech businesses, distribution centres, computer firms. All the while British Aerospace acts as the bedrock of the local wage economy: 7,200 jobs turning out the Rapier and Seawolf at the guided weapons division, 3,000 at the dynamics division, and a further 8,000 over at the aircraft factory in Hatfield.

Like Barrow in Cumbria, with its similar reliance oo the Trident programme at Vickers, Stevenage finds itself at the core of the two great national preoccupations of defence and employment. At the last general election it was Labour's unilateralism, as much as the presence of an SDP candidate, which helped to slash the Labour vote to 12,673 and bring the new party's candidate to within less than 2,000 of the Conservative MP, Tim Wood

This makes Stevenage into the SDP's fourth most marginal seat with a Tory majority, and prompts the party's prospective parliamentary candidate Ben Stoneham to say of the next electioo:"If I dnn't win then, we may as well give up."

There have been other major forces in play to bring about a change in the character of the town. By 1985 the number of houses in private ownership had risen to 13,151 (47 per cent of total stock) from its 1981 figure of 9,660 (33 per cent). In other words, a new town commissinned under Attlee has been partly gentrified under Thatcher, with all the usual features like bow windows and

brass door knockers to betoken an

upward shift. Meanwhile the daily migration southwards hy computers has been climbing steadily, so that today the main line station has become in Kings Cross as Watford

Neither the town nor the outly-ing villages which make up the rest of the parliamentary constituency harbour serinus gripes about traf-fic or roads. Thanks to the comparatively new infrastructure nf the reginn, there is neither too much of the first nor too few of the second. As with many housing estates huilt subsequently across the northern belt of London's countryside, the main complaint is that the planners lacked prescience when they left out the garages.

Because of its anxieties about the impact of falling rolls on secondary education, the condi-tinn of the first wave of ageing council hnmes and the day care provision for an increasingly elderly population. Stevenage, with its air of classlessness, comes as near to being a classic example of the SDP target seat as any in the country. It is above all a natural for the community politician.

f the party has transformed the politics of the constituency into a genuinely three-way proposition (given Labour's national ressurgence), it must also own up to certain hereditary privileges, notably the so-called Shirley Factor. For Mrs Williams, now president of the party, was the Labour member for the old seat of Hertford and Stevenage from 1974 until defeated five years later hy the Conservative Petrie Bowen Wells, with the narrowest of margins.

Many memhers of the Stevenage SDP are defectors from Labour who, like Mrs Williams, became dissaffected with the rise of the hard left during the late 1970s and 1980s. There is thus a sense of having made the journey in good company.

Perhaps the most prized of these new centrists is Mr Philip Ireton. a redoubtable 82-year-old who can trace his family back 250 years in Stevenage, and who resigned from the Labour Party in 1979, one year after being presented with a certificate to honour his 60 years of membership. Having been Labour's first chairman of the county council as well as the only person to belong to the Stevenage Development Corporation for the full 33 years of its life from its inception in 1946, he represents for the local SDP a ready-made elder statesman.

"Eight years ago", he recalls,"I was warning Labour that there were grim prospects ahead, but they didn't seem to take any nntice. At the end of 1979 I didn't renew my membership, and later responded in an advertisement for the SDP shortly before its formation."



of four: Stevenage Social Democrats (from left to right) Edward Spriggs, executive member; Margaret Latham, vice-chairman of the area SDP, Peter Metcalfe, chairman of the area SDP; and prospective parliamentary candidate Ben Stoneham. (Photograph by John Timbers)



The original Limehouse gang of four: Bill Rodgers, Shirley Williams, Roy Jenkins and Dr David Owen

In one respect, however, Stevenage is atypical of the national pattern; in 1981, when the party was launched two months after the Limehouse Declaration by the Gang of Four, it attracted an initial membership of 51,000, rising to 70,000 in early 1982, only to fall in the wake of the Falklands war and level off again to its present 53,000. Locally it has expanded from the 70 who attended the inaugural meeting in June 1981 at Stevenage leisure centre to a current high of 515, compared with Labour's 800 and the Conservative's 700.

Two nther factors bear the unmistakeable hallmarks of the image which the SDP is at pains to project to the country; first, the flood of newsletters through the doors of the town and its environs, full of community sentiments and the caring nnises of the liberal

middle class; second, the style and background of the two pivotal figures in the party's push for hearts, minds, money and votes.

Mr Peter Metcalfe, the area party chairman, is marketing information manager at Bowater Containers in Ditchmore Lane. He is a former Labour activist, with years of experience as a party manager and election organizer. Like Ireton, his membership dates from Limehouse. He has the measured informality typical of SDP man, talks of Jenkins as "Woy", enjoys his food, and does an alpha-minus imitation of Tony

"We've chipped away at the Labour vote in the town and I doubt whether it will come back", he says. "I suppose it keeps what you might call the armpit vote, that is many of the old people and unemployed. The middle of the

town is more solidly Labour than the edges, but the older ones there are starting to die off."

He reckons that in Stevenage about half the members are fellow defectors from Labour, 20 per cent from the Tories, and the remainhis words, virgins". The prospective candidate,

Ben Stoneham, is another embodiment of the middle way - young (37), Cambridge-educated and, again, a communicator, working as an industrial relations executive with the Portsmouth and Sunderland newspaper group. He also contested Saffron Walden for Labour in 1979, and at the by-election there two years earlier.

Apart from the Shirley Factor. Stoneham identifies two main reasons for the apparent viability

#### THE UPS AND DOWNS OF THE SDP

The first decisive rallying call for the creation of the Social Democratic Party came in Nove 1979 when Mr Roy Jenkins, then retiring President of the European ion, made a speech caling for a new radical centre in British politics.

On James 25, 1981, the "gang of four" - Roy Jenkins, Dr David Owen, Shirley Williams and Mr. William Rodgers - all former Labour Cabinet Ministers, issued the "Limebouse Deciaration" rejecting Labour policies and auouncing plans for a Council for тостасу.

The SDP was launched on March 26, 1981, with Roy Jenkins as leader and the immediate support of 13 MPs from the Labour camp.

Three by-elections - the victory at Crosby of Shirley Williams, the first MP elected in the SDP cause.

and Ray Jenkins's earlier marre defeat at Warrington and hi success at Hillhead, confirmed the party's political substance before the Falklands War revived Tory

The SDP went into the General Election of June 9, 1983, with 29 seats, but came out with only six, were both out. Kay Jenkius ima

South in June 1984. Last month the opinion polls showed the Alliance is second place with 33.4

of the SDP in this neck of the half of the 10 Alliance councillors woods. First, I think that we have now at the town half as the shown what can be done with an opposition to Labour's 26-strong effective organization at ground level, and a lot of that must be put down to Peter Metcalfe. We have down to Peter Metcalfe. We have the ruling party. And since the now got to the position at which people realize that to opt for us is last year they occupy four of the 14 not to waste a vote on a party with a short life expectancy.

Secondly, the class and age structure of the population is favourable. My experience in other towns and constituencies has been that you can usually divide the place into areas and say: This part will vote this way and that part will vote that way, and so on. Here, that is simply not the

More significant still must be the party's showing in the elections at borough and county levels over the past two years. For with

group, the SDP has made inroads into the traditional dominance of Alliance seats, with Labour at 27 and the Conservatives at 36.

At the latter they even managed to poll the second highest number of votes cast, aithough there is no great evidence yet of whining about the imquities of withhold ing. proportional representation from the nation. For the time being in Stevenage, at the SDP's tiny new offices in the High Street. PR stands for public relations, and the little army of volunteers beavers away with all the public ardour of the convert — or the private enthusiasm of the recent

# The weekend starts here

#### Uncle Oscar's day

The world's longest limousine line rolls up to the door of the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion next week in downtown Los Angeles, delivering onto the red carnet the has-been, would-be and about-to-be winners of the 58th Academy Awards, Hollywood's most glittering prizes, otherwise known as the Oscars (reputedly named after somebody's uncle). The Times looks behind the scenes at the infighting, frontstabbing and back-biting as the film world's glitterati fight for the famous statuette

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# Playing safe with fortunes

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can happen.
The Stock Exchange will be housed in the base of Exchange Square, one of the newest, most expensive, most beautiful and technologically advanced skyscraper complexes in the world — designed to comply with 4,000 year-old superstitions. The developers, the Hongkong Land Company, know that you ignore fung

through to the fitting-out of the £850 million complex of 1.5 million sq ft on the waterfront in prestigious central Hongkong they consulted professional fung shui experts, who enjoy the status and income of top surgeous. Mirrors, for instance are often used to deflect bad

spirits, since they are so ugly that they cannot bear to look The highly-respected Far Eastern Economic Review re-arranged their offices on expert advice after one staff member drowned, two corre-

spondents were arrested and

others fell sick. All is now The Hongkong Land Com-pany were told that their Exchange Square plans, by Swiss architect Remo Rive.

storey glass and pink granite double tower block had its back to the mountains for protection (hills are believed to be dragons), and so that good fortune could roll towards it and its face to the water. The towers were curved towards each other like a man reaching his arms out to collect money. A window was inserted into the rotunda of the Stock

Exchange below so the money

could pour down on to the

proceedings.
WhetherRiva's choice of materials was mainly superstitions or aesthetic is not clear, but the mirrors, polished steel and glass everywhere make the building seem anextension of the water and sky. The effect is breathtaking. Corners pointing at you are bad news; in the building they have been rounded off,or extended into

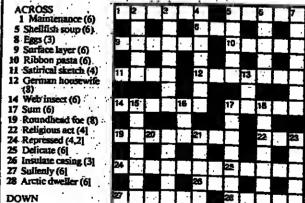
partitions or curved worktops. Is it all nonsense? For three years, during which its fortunes were at an alarming low, and Anglo-Chinese talks on the future were going badly, Hongkong Land went determindedly ahead with the building Now the firm's fortunes are soaring again and 73 per cent of the office space is already let - far beyond the target. Nobody there has a word to say against fing shui.

Patricia Clough

#### CORRECTION

In the article "Silk purses feel the pinch" (Spectrum, March 12) Nigel Frostick's name was incorrectly spelt. In addition.

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# Marriages of true minds

Nearly half the working population is female. But how many compete on equal terms with their partners?

Alison Miller talks to three couples who mix competition with compatibility

marrying men in the same profession. But how do they reconcile marriage with equality of career opportunity? A man has to feel very

cure to allow his wife to be as eccessful, or more, than himself. Many arguments between couples are really an illustramarriage for the benefit of the family, it may well mean a better relationship and a hap-Robert and Rhona

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Rapoport, who wrote a book about dual-career families, believe that the general ethos at the moment is against such couples. Robert Rapoport says: "Our view is that competition is an aspect of the couple relationship which, if not rec-ognized and dealt with, could be troublesome. A lot of couples are in related professions because they meet each other in the course of their training, and they have a great deal in common.They also have a potential for conflict, but if it is recognized, it can be



alcolm Lennox, 36, and Jenny Ackroyd, 35, both senior registrars in general surgery - he specializing in neurology at the Westminster, she in vascular surgery at St Thomas's Hospital.

Unlike others in this hotly competitive area of medicine, Lennox and Ackroyd are married to each other, have a fouryear-old daughter and would like more children. They are an animated couple, each cheerfully interrupting a the other, determined to be consultants and recognizing that although Jenny has the more paper qualifications - she was first woman master of surgery at Cambridge and the first woman registrar in general surgery at St Thomas's -Malcolm has managed to get.

Although they came to London as registrars at the same time, Jenny went full-tilt into the male enclave of St Thomas's and found herself among eight or nine equally well-qualified male surgeons pushing for promotion to registrar. Malcolm landed on bis feet at the Westminster,



Clare Renton and Tim Scott: "Practically every one of our generation at the Bar has children"



Malcolm Lennox, Jenny Ackroyd: Mutual support

getting his senior registrar's consultant, one of only six in job - the key to consultan-ey - two years earlier, because he was the "local boy".

Jenny had to take a two-year break, during which time sbe did research into vein valves, wrote her thesis and had Sophie before getting her senior registrar job at St Thomas's last June. She says: "If you ask me

what is the single most important thing to a woman succeeding in her career, I would say it was her husband. I've seen other people come to grief because of the people they have married. I remember one woman being telephoned by ber husband in the middle of an emergency operation he wanted to know where the bread was.

"There were times when I was applying for senior registrarships that I thought I was being stubborn or stupid. Malcolm was always very good and told me to get on with it. I think if I had not had that kind of support it would have been very difficult to

The days when successful women in mainline surgery can admit to the gentler side of their nature still seems far off. Jenny sees becoming a female

general surgery in the country (there are over 900 men), as the ultimate success.

"She has moved three times, which is almost unbeard of," says Malcolm, "and the story goes that when she was last asked why she wanted a move she replied: 'I'm following my man.' She is so good she can afford to be that For the rest it is a balance

between white lies and tai-lored truth. "Women must never say, for instance, that they are going to the hairdresser," says Jenny. hairdresser," says Jenny. "Even though it's all right for men to go to the barber, you have to be 'going to get the car fixed', or to see your

"But it's worth it - there is no doubt that one gets a tremendous kick out of a successful kidney transplant, for example".

Adds Malcolm: "General surgery is like gambling: it's all highs and lows. Sometimes we might be as high as a kite from a successful operation, but then there are times when we have had a nasty case with somebody dying. Luckily we don't tend to both have them at the same time."



John Hardy, Anna Somers Cocks: No career clash

#### THE KEEPERS

Anna Somers Cocks, 35, are assistant keepers at the Victoria and Albert Museum, and the parents of two small children. "When we met, in the canteen, I was technically senior to John", says Anna. "He was a research assistant and I had very freakily been appointed an assistant keeper straight after doing my masters in history of art at the Courtauld Institute.

"John was made assistant keeper about 18 months later and we have remained equals ever since. We are not really in competition because the museum is like an empire made our subjects are different couldn't take over from each other but I suppose one could aim to be more famous than the other, to enjoy a greater international reputation, to

"I took it absolutely for granted that having children wasn't going to make the slightest difference to me pur-suing my career. Having the children was not the difficult part. When they were little it seemed quite all right to leave

publish more books.

#### them with nanny and play with them for half-an-hour in

ohn Hardy, 43, and "Now they are six and four, it seems inadequate. They are so nice to be with and such a strong pull. I didn't expect that at all. But neither of us bas ever turned down an interesting job of work because of domestic commitments. The problems of children and work rub off on John.

Anna comes back over and over again on Friday nights saying, 'I'm not going to be here this weekend, I'm working' and if it goes on weekend after weekend you do tend to think, have we got our priorities right? We are constantly questioning ourselves."

🔻 im Scott, 36, and Clare Renton, 35, are barristers practising common law from the chambers where they first met, six years ago. They operate individually in an open competition, but they can only do it, they say, with the support of a nanny (for their three children, all aged under three), clerk, and each

Tim describes their profes sional cooperation as an ex-tension of the spirit between members of the same chamthey protect.

Before we married we were once against each other in a case", he says, "There was no problem, because the case settled, as so many do. But we decided we couldn't allow it to happen again because not only do we do the same work but we also work in the same geographic area, so solicitors instruct us both. In four years the situation hasn't arisen again. "If by some ghastly mistake we did act against each other we would probably compensate by becoming highly aggressive about the case so as not to be seen in collusion. That's a good reason not to do it.

"The terminology used among barristers is a combative one. You talk of a case fighting or not fighting; you talk of a good win, of the other side throwing in the towel Clare and I live with each other's big difficult cases. Our successes are each other's successes, they are causes for common triumph."

It seems a hard world for the mother - and father - of three very small children to go back to so soon after the birth of the latest baby. But it is an adjustment for which the Scotts seem to have allowed. Clare is returning to the Bar next week because two cases she has been nursing for a long time are coming up.

Maintaining a position as a successful female barrister is not for the faint-hearted. She says: "Practically every one of our generation at the Bar has children. It certainly can be done and works rather well. I had my first child at 32 and I think it would be difficult to stay at home, partly because one's knowledge so quickly becomes obsolete.

"Nobody becomes a barrister unless she is competitive barristers have to want to

## Sentencing the prison visitor

committed an error, a serious one, and be-cause of that, I've been able to see a part of the world that not all of us do, or would want to, for that maner.

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He was sent to prison. After the trial was over and was found guilty, he went to Wandsworth until it was decided where he'd be best placed. Because of an illness he was there longer than

Visiting during those six months made me feel like a criminal 100 - and I've only ever had one speeding offence, my daughter-in-law is crime-free and the baby's 10 months old.

We'd queue, the three of us, on the outside steps: she clutching a visiting order, nappies and bottles, me, the umbrellas, blankets, and both of us, the baby in turns. Couldn't take the pram in.

Two o'elock was visiting time and it was impossible to reduce the wait, usually half an hour on those damned steps. If we came at 2, then we'd miss some of the precious two-hour visit, only once a fortnight. There was always a queue and we were never first at the top.

Winds sweep up steps like they sweep nowhere else. Rain falls harder there, too.Officials marched in and out, large, blatantly innocent and in charge, sometimes with a dog. Up and down, with not a smile, nor a glance of encouragement. Either this, I suppose, or their souls would wither at the desperate look in some of the eyes that

have no hope. Funny how guilty they made us feel. "Sorry", I'd say, nearly knocked off my feet by a large black dispatch case, probably containing my son's appeal, turned down.

Inside, we were searched thoroughly. Nappies and handbags opened. On my way to the East coast of Scotland once, for a boliday, I had £100 in cash."What's this for?" he asked. Did be think I was financing the Great Escape?

It was a crowded room, airless, and we couldn't open any windows, obviously. The steps began to look attractive.

Our name was called eventually, the huge doors opened, but daughter-in-law had gone to change the baby. I rushed to the inch gap. "Won't be long, sorry, just

## PERSON

"Anything wrong Ma?" My son's got good manners, ush-ering us in, as if we were coming for tea, his blue and white striped shirt grubby collared, hlue cotton trousers hanging on his thin behind. We'd sit together at the

table, filthy, coffee-stained. We'd scruh it with baby wipes. I walked round, paci-fying the child to stop the tears caused by this terrible room, while they held hands desperately. There's little light in that visitors' room, dust covers outside windows, all barred. Warders stand everywhere, staring, hut not seeing. People smoke cigarenes with an urgency that suggests they may never have another, drowning in walled, blank indifference.

So when I heard he'd been sent to Coldingley, Surrey. and could see a cow from the window of his cell, I wasn't very hopeful. I was wrong not

I still have to cover the baby's eyes when the heavy doors clang open and shut in case she remembers them later. But we can wheel in the pram, are not searched so demeaningly, and can smile at the warders, because they smile back. Rehabilitation shines out from the windows, cleaner tables, the eyes of the voluntary helpers who bring round tea, coffee and hiscuits, even a mug of hot water to heat the pureed veg. There's a creche too, just outside the door, where the baby can totter and run back, hands full of toys for dad.

I don't pretend it's like a Sunday afternoon at home, but I don't feel guilty any more. It's more like a boarding school, I suppose. He's lost bis desperate look and his eyes are clear with hope. He doesn't resent his sentence, but doesn't think we should have one too.

Why are some prisons so bad (I had a visit to Wormwood Scrubs once) and some so good? Victorian buildings cast shadows, but they don't dictate policy. A covered way at Wandsworth would be a good start, if anyone feels like changing the system.Or is degrada-tion part of the punish-

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# cancer check for men

The virtuous Victorian was not supposed to think too much about his genita-lia: fortunately 90 years ago this prudery wasn't as dangerous as it would be today. Malignant disease of the testis has increased five fold since the turn of the century and no-

body knows why. Cancer of the testis is now curable in 90 per cent of cases and late diagnosis is the most common cause of failure. Genito-urinary surgeons hope to persuade young men to examine their testes as carefully as general surgeons have taught women to examine

The good news is that although this growth is now the most frequently found cancer in men between the ages of 15 and 45, the future for affected patients has been revolutionized in the last 20

Dr R.T.D. Oliver, of The London Hospital, in a review published in the British Medical Journal, credits improved surgery with the fall in the death rate in the 1960s and the death rate in the 1960s and the introduction of modern cytotoxic chemotherapy in 1975

as a topical ireaument for baldness illustrates the extreme sensitivity of

#### **MEDICAL BRIEFING**

past decade.

Tight underwear and jeans have been blamed as a cause because they keep the organs at an unnaturally high temperature but they became fashionable only in the 1960s. Some doctors suspect that it

may be a late effect of mumps, hut the favoured theory, for which there is increasing evidence from mice experiments, is that the oestrogen levels provided by the maternal environment before delivery may be a crucial factor. It is known that overweight mothers, who have bigher oestrogen levels, are more-likely to give birth to sons who will later develop malignant disease in the testes.

A sexy male leg The number of



letters received after the item in Medical Briefing on the development of Regaine

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for the trend continuing in the people who have lost their hair Dr Alan Shrank, a consul-

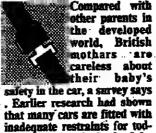
tant dermatologist from Shrewsbury, writing in the British Medical Journal, has now given men something else to worry about. He has questioned the usually accepted belief that the bare patches found on the outer lower third of male legs are due to the hair being rubbed off by rough clothing or tight socks; nor does he think that it is due to a

poor blood supply.

A narrowing arterial tree accounts for the loss of hair on the back of the foot and the tufts on the toes, but Dr Shranks maintains that the shiny bald lower leg is as much a sexual characteristic as a bald head and a hairy chest.

Many readers asked if they could be included in the trials of Regaine; these trials are now complete and no more are envisaged. The proprietary remedies mentioned in the column, the efficacy of which have not been tested by controlled trials, are New Generation and Pantrone One.

Baby safety



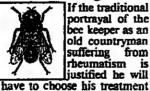
dlers sitting in the back of the reveals that babies fair no ceration which can occur. better. The official recommendation in Britain is that a child under six months should be

laid in a carrycot held in the

rear seat by straps fixed to suitable anchor points. Almost 140 women were

estioned as to how their baby travelled in the car. Their baby travelled in the car. Their answers together with other experiments involving the monitoring of supermarket car parks, showed that only 40 per cent of babies in Southampton were adequately restrained, which contrasted with 70 per cent in Australia, 66 per cent in New Zealand and 60 per cent in the United States.

Double sting



If the traditional portrayal of the bee keeper as an old countryman suffering from rheumatism is justified he will

steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs for bis aches and pains a bee sting may give rise to a possibly fatal allergic reaction The British Medical Journal recently carried reports of two years grown immune to the venom from-multiple stings,

but who after taking anti-

rheumatic drugs found that not only had their immunity

gone, but they were hypersen-

with care. For if he takes non-

sitive and laid low by a single bee sting. The non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents include such well known drugs as Ponstan, Indocid, Naprosyn and Brufen. As a group they have revolutionized the treatment of arthritis in its many forms so that countless thousands of people owe their

mobility to them. The Committee on the Safety of Medicines, however, has recently drawn the attention Now another study, from of all doctors to the danger of Southampton Medical School. acute gastric or duodenal uiof all doctors to the danger of

> Dr Thomas Stuttaford

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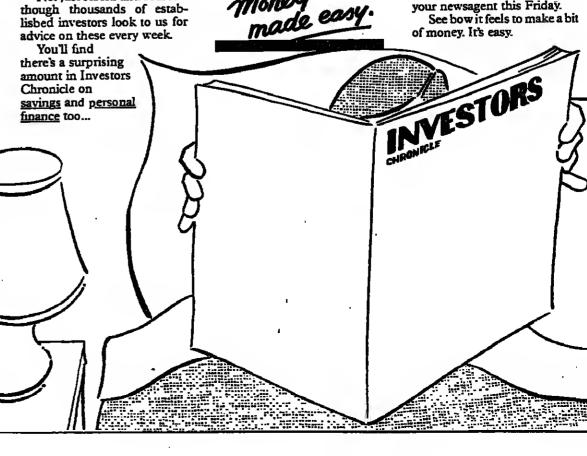
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#### X cert concert

The Pru will never be the same again. On Sunday it is sponsoring a concert by the London Philharmonic Orchestra at the Royal Festival Hall of Catulli Carmina, based on poems by Catullus about his sexual adventures. Annotator Eric Mason, according to the orchestra, has complained that the text is 100 pornographic for public hearing, but the LPO's principal conductor, Klaus Tennstedt, insists that it goes ahead unexpurgated. Prudential top brass will be in the audience on Sunday. An LPO source did not think they appreciated just how erotic the work is - "what a relief that Winston Churchill's obscenity bill does not cover concert halls."

#### Water music

HMS Endurance hero Paul Smith. who has not worked since leaving the navy after returning from the Faiklands four years ago, has finally found a job: playing the accordion in Liverpool University's swimming pool on Sunday week in what must surely be Britain's first underwater concert.

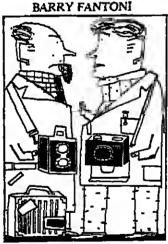
 Readers, moles and countrymen: the Diary has now been issued with a botline: 01 822-

#### Advance guard

For how long has British Leyland known that it might end up in American ownership? A Britishtrained computer analyst who applied for a job at the BL subsiduary, Unipart, a few years ago tells me that during the interview he found to his dismay that the company was switching from British ICL computers to the rival American IBM, "Someone has decided that the future lies with IBM; it was a high-level management decision." explained bis interviewer. Having an American computer system, the analyst realizes in retrospect, would now be just dandy for BL's prospective American huyers. So who did take the prescient decision? Not, presumably Michael Edwardes, chairman at the time. Yesterday Unipart giggled when I reminded them where he went on leaving BL in 1982: ICL.

#### Chain reaction

A reader tells me that on Australia's new dollar coin the necklace worn by the Oueen has what looks like a decorative twirl which, placed under a magnifying glass, transmogrifies into the word comment," the Australian High Commission admits,"hut it's all untrue. The letters are DOM -the initials of the artist."



'Rad news. I hear he's taking

#### Taken to task

Television playwright Ian Curteis has had a positive response to his plans for a BBC film about the Falklands conflict. The three-hour drama, to be called The Falklands Play, involves characters portraying Mrs T. President Galtieri et al. in a factual reconstruction. I am told that Robert Morley jumped at the idea of playing Willie Whitelaw after hearing Curteis enthuse about the idea at a Garrick Club lunch recently. "It's always a bit tricky using real-life last did so, in a film about Suez six years ago, Lady Gaitskell complained strongly in the House of Lords about my portrayal of her husband." He might have even more trouble with Maggie.

#### Cash in hand

The GLC has finally coughed up for the Cultural Festival of India beld last September - but only after High Court intervention. The council contracted PN Structures Ltd to build a £101,000 stadium at the Brent Show after GLC officers gave the company a written understanding that they would foot the bill. However, Ken Livingstone, the Brent parliamentary candidate, realizing they would never get ministerial consent for such spending, concocted a scheme whereby the bill would be paid to the company through a grant to the festival's organizers. The idea swept through all the necessary channels at County Hall, but was not cleared with the festival organizers who would not accept the cash. Now the GLC have settled "very favourably" out of court, following the writ they issued last November. "We were extremely annoyed at getting swept up in such political machinations", said PNS managing director Theo Pellinkhof.

# Over-charitable, Mr Lawson

by Philip Regan

is no such thing as a free lunch. British charities may have proved him wrong. The Chancellor has bowed to their pressure without Exchequer if charities quickly exacting from them greater efestablished collection schemes ficiency and accountability. with employers.

The Budget has given charities My estimate is that a maximum iax concessions over and above of £900 million a year in existing their existing substantial reliefs. In personal donations could become 1982 the total value of tax reliefs allowable against income tax if for all registered charities was transferred through employer more than £450 million. This deduction schemes. As yet payroll week's changes will cost the Exchequer £70 million a year giving is small but if only 10 per cent of this sum becomes allowable, the cost to the Exchequer will VAT payments from charities will be halved. Total VAT pay-ments by charities in 1982 were be around £25 million a year.

Donations from both individuals and firms are likely to rise. For both, the tax changes reduce the price of making donations. fl in the hands of a charity now costs the donor less by the amount of tax relief. How companies will react to a cut in the cost of single donations is hard to assess. But the effect may well be consid-

In the United States, where a similar system is well established. corporations donated an average of \$77 per employee in 1981. For the top 200 British corporate donors, a comparable sum was £5.50. If American evidence can be applied to Britain payroll deductions schemes should attract a large increase in donations.

For example, a standard rate taxpayer currently giving £10 to a charity will find that, hy donating through payroll deduction, each pound for the charity now costs him 71p. If many payroll deduc-tion schemes are established, a large rise in personal donations is likely. If many donors reroute donations via such schemes then the tax cost will be high. A high proportion of extra personal giving will come from the Exchequer. Michael Brophy of the Charities Aid Foundation is surely right "In five years time these changes could have altered the whole climate of giving and may be worth many hundreds of millions

Such a massive increase in the public subsidies of charities needs to be justified. For donors, altruism may be morally excellent. Moreover, it might be argued that private donations achieve a more efficient allocation of funds (though this depends on access to information which most donors do not have). As for recipients, it may be that charities and other voluntary agencies are more efficient than the equivalent public sector bodies, hut there is scant

of pounds a year to charities".

The best charities have a fine record of service and disclosing facts and figures about their operations. But this is not true of the charity sector as a whole. charities present their accounts: it is very difficult to compare them. Many fail to suhmit accounts to the Charity Commissioners and, when they do, they can remain

unexamined for years.

Many educational and religious foundations enjoy tax privileges without having to register. Thousands of tiny charities are too small to be really cost-effective yet still gain fiscal advantages.

It is curious that a government eager to foster efficiency in the public sector is willing to engineer a further transfer of public money to organizations with no adequate scrutiny. Without more accountability the new measures might even prove inefficient by comparison with public welfare expen-

Individuals are free to give or to seek gifts for any cause they choose. While defending this right, the government should ensure accountability from organ-izations enjoying public subsidies. The Chancellor has lost an opportunity to trade new tax privileges for better accounting practices and measures to encourage efficiency. These new public privileges will soon become old private rights. Gladstone was correct. Charitable tax exemption remains "a grant of public money without public control".

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# David Watt Caught with his stance down

for the Thatcher government. It is one of the few occasions in the year when the Prime Minister and the Chancellor are obliged to strip themselves of ideological camouflage and stand more or less naked in front of the electorate.

In a sense, of course, this is true of all governments. A budget is still the accepted way of displaying to the voters the answer to what the Americans call "the bottom line political question" - which hat have you lot done for us lately?" But in the case of the present government it is a forced reply to the still more difficult question: "What are you lot responsible for?" For most of the year the answer to this question can be: "We're responsible for most of the good things that are happening. The bad things are due to forces outside our control".

The fall in inflation, for instance, is entirely due to good financial management and a determined assault on trade union power, it has nothing to do with the world-wide fall in commodity prices. Unemployment, on the other hand, is a world-wide obenomenou exacerbated in Britain's case by the weakness and irresponsibility of successive Socialist and wet Tory governments for which we are paying the merited and unavoidable price.

As Milton Friedman used to

point out quite frankly, the beauty of monetarism from the practical politician's point of view is that it reduces the government's area of political honorability to a single very small target. If you screw down the money supply or, if you want to think in slightly different terms, public expen-diture – everything else will follow almost automaratically.

Certainly, the Chancellor can say, I am responsible for exerting a prodent financial control, as any Chancellor must all the unpleasantness that comes after is due to the operation of market forces with which, of course, it would be foolish and self-defeat-

ing to wrestle. It is possible to interpret Thatcherism almost entirely in terms of these political advantages. There is an interesting article on these lines by Jim Bulgitt of Warwick University in the current issue of the journal Political Studies. Its argument, in brief, is that the Keynesian demand management of the 1950s and early 1960s served rather similar political purposes to monetarism. It enabled politicians and Treasury mandarins to pull the levers of the economy discretely and quietly from Whitehall without having to come out too far

into the open arena. Unfortunately, says Bulpitt, this end with the Wilson government which responded to the real decline of the British economy with a more interventionist, modernizing strategy which increas-ingly involved a damaging dialogue and endless haggles in public with industry and trade nmons. The Heath government, though ostensibly determined to get off this dangerous political hook, was fatally impaled on it in 1972 and 1973, and even the Callaghan government could not

stand the political heat generated

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Mrs Thatcher's political achievement, at any rate in her first term, can therefore be seen on this analysis as restoring the credibility of government by a shrewe strate-Sic mitigasmaj gom micuapje territories. No more politicking with corporatist moguls, no more trade union ranks on the Downing Street lawn.

The only trouble is that the reality behind this quite successful rhetorical facade has been crumbling away into enforced intervention. The notion that the exchange rate can be left to market forces was the first bastion to fall; "dirty floating" was adopted. Supply-side policies assumed more importance. Reliance on a single monetary aggregate, sterling M3, was dropped. There was a vast and even desperate increase in Whitehall intervention in the sphere of local government and in the affairs of major nationalized industry such as steel and, above all, coal. And finally the political uproar over unemployment has forced more and more direct intervention to show that the government really "cares".

Politics, having been driven out with a single heave of the pitch-fork, is back yapping viciously at the doors of the Whitehall cloister and threatening not only the government's ability to impose its own ideological terms of reference on the political debate but also its credibility as a cool, competent managerial outfit.

This development has alarmed not merely the free-market theoreticions of the Conservative party but the practical politicians too. That explains why privatization is such an obsession at present; it appears to offer (once monetarist non-intervention has failed) the only remaining solution to the political difficulty we have just

been discussing.
It also explains why the Prime
Minister and Norman Tebbit are keeping up a drumbeat of defiant free-market verbiage, and why they will almost certainly win the argument about wirst goes into the next Conservative manifesto. -As Bulpittt points out, the fatal difficulty for the "wess" is that while they have a perfectly good alternative economic policy in theory, they are not seen to possess an answer to the crude political problem of how to avoid Heath's interventionist fate.

Lawson's budget displays all the symptoms of this dilemma. On the one hand it proclaims undeviating devotion to the free market, to more privatization and (implicitly) to the idea that the competence of government is tikely to be more effective by being reduced to the minimum.

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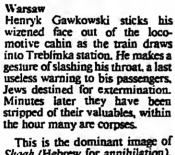
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Un u impossible for the Chancellor to avoid revealing to full public gaze the Heath Robinson wires with which he is actually forced to try to control the economy - not just fiscal manipulation far beyond the hounds of monetarist orthodoxy. but purposive hudgetary engineering to encourage employment, profit sharing, charity and nonsmoking. If it all works, well and good. If it does not, the electorate are unlikely to accept that im-personal forces rather than the government are to blame. .

#### Roger Boyes on Polish reaction to a new Holocaust documentary

# Sharing Treblinka's shame



initially and much more in future.

around £45 million. Adjustments

in line with the growth in income

of the top 200 charities give a

1984-85 figure of £60 million. If

VAT payments are cut in half then

the corresponding tax loss would

The change in tax relief for

single donations by companies

will not at first prove very costly in

tax revenue. Although total cor-

porate donations are around £80

million a year, 60 per cent of payments already attract tax relief

through covenants. Thus little

more than £30 million will gain

new tax reliefs; these will cost the

Exchequer £10 million a year.
Personal donations to charities

of up to £100 a year (through

deductions from pay) are now

eligible for income tax relief. This

could prove expensive for the

be £30 million.

Shoah (Hebrew for annihilation), Claude Lanzmann's nine-hour documentary reconstruction of the Holocaust which is to be shown on Channel 4. The film is a staggering accumulation of detail: how many metres (be paces them out) from the gate to the crematorium; the thoughts of a Jewish barber as he cuts the tresses of women about to enter the gas chambers: a secretly filmed SS officer denying knowledge of the slaughter. Most of the death camps were on Polish soil and for Lanzmann, whose father was a Polish Jew, this becomes a focus for the film: how is the guilt to be distributed?

Lanzmann asks the locomotive driver through an interpreter. Because I saw people marching to their death." says Gawkowski. When he weakened he received

vodka from the Nazis. Is Gawkowski guilty? Are other Poles accomplices in the Holocaust? The question, or at least the manner in which it is asked. outrages the Polish authorities. Rarely has a film made in the West so angered the government of a communist state. Poland has made a formal diplomatic protest to France against the "outrageous insinuations for the Polish people concerning its alleged collaboration in the Holocaust." To the credit of the Poles it was decided that the best way to deal with something so distasteful was to give it a broad airing on television and in cinemas.

In a sense the timing of Shoah could not have been better for the Polish authorities. The Soviet bloc, hut especially Poland, has been opening lines of communication with Israel again for the first time since 1968 when all but Romania severed diplomatic ties. Perhaps this signals the beginning of a new phase in Soviet policy, the first tentative steps towards an all-party Middle East peace con-

ference; perhaps not. In any case, Poland is about to set up an Israeli visa office, has permitted the first bar-mitzvah for years, has stimulated exhibitions and articles about the roots and remnants of Polish Jewry and is encouraging visits by Israeli ballet dancers and actors. There is a new

The High Court challenge to the

Lord Chancellor over his decision

to impose a 5 per cent limit on this

year's nay rise for barristers doing

criminal legal aid work is the latest

of a growing number brought

under the judicial review proce-

dure. This allows decision by the

government, a civil servant or an

administrative body to be con-

tested in court and have it

On a range of issues this

government in particular has

increasingly had its decisions chal-

lenged in the courts and found

wanting. No surpise then, cynics

say, that it has taken steps in

recent months to curb the scope of

judicial review. But not only

ministers are concerned about the

present system; judges, too, are

worried that a large number of

applications is clogging the sys-

review proceedings must first

obtain the court's leave. In the

past five years applications have

doubled to more than 1,000. Most

fall at this stage, but those that go

on can lead to such rulings as the

three last year against Nicholas

Ridley, the Transport Secretary,

including one against his attempt

to overturn the Greater London

Those seeking to hring judicial

declared lawful or unlawful.



sand Jews now live in Poland, the links are unquestionably there: before the war, before the death camps, there were three million Polish Jews.

Shoah is opportune: it gives the Poles a chance to clear the air. The Jaruzelski leadership feels equipped to do so, because the general and his closest advisers were among those who opposed the virulent anti-semitic manocuvring of a Communist Party faction in 1968. "If there is to be conciliation, between Poland and Israel," remarks one Polish Jew who survived the 1968 purges to rise in the party, "then this is the leadership team to do it."

Lanzmann, who denies making an anti-Polish film, says he is merely letting ordinary Poles speak for themselves. A woman asked what she thinks about the annihilation of the Jews, says: They were richer and exploited the Poles. Our boys preferred Jewish girls because they were prettier, and they were prettier because they did no work." These are medieval prejudices.

partly fuelled by village priests in some pulpits the question "Who killed Christ" can take a

mem was held to have acted

unlawfully over regulations on

board-and-lodgings payments, and there were similar rulings on

the withholding of sums of money

in chemists' and opticians' fees.

One reason for the growth in judicial review is the climate of

consumerism. Increased aware-

ness of rights and a greater

readiness to challenge authority

have encouraged people to go to

law. That has coincided with High

Court reforms, dating from the

mid-1970s, which made it much

easier to bring cases under judicial

review. Judges are now readier to

develop and create administrative

law, extending it for example to

such areas as immigration and

prisons, and are more sympathetic

to rigorous scrutiny of admin-

istrative decisions. Finally, the

procedure has become well

cases prompting others.

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But there is another factor: the

changed attitude of local and

central government. Lord Justice

Woolf, an appeal court judge, said in a recent lecture that in the past

if a course of action by govern-

ment was in doubt it was not

openness about everything that probably determined by self-in- around Treblinka ... if the Poles links and separates Poles from Jews. Although only a few thoumutual exploitation.

As the historian Andrzej Gregorczyk put it, trying to come to terms with Shoah: "Poles developed a certain approach towards Jews just as Jews did towards Goys. Taking unfair advantage of Jews was not considered to be as bad as taking such advantage of your Polisb kinsmen. That applied not only to material affairs but to sex as well. To seduce a Jewish girl was generally regarded as a lesser sin than the seduction of a Christian girl"

Shoah proceeds from the premise of Polish anti-semitism to the specific charge of silent complicity in the killing of the Jews. As a journalist one reacts with suspicion when Lanzmann admires the carved door of a Polish peasant and asks about its history. Somehow one realizes very quickly, certainly quicker than the peasant, that Lanzmann is trying to establish that the door, indeed the whole bouse, belonged to a Jewish family killed in the camps. The unspoken suggestion is that the Poles profited in some way from the elimination of Jews.

What did Lanzmann want the Poles to have done?" asks Jerzy Urban, the government spokesman, writing under a pseudonym. "Did be think the Polish people sbould have committed mass suicide by refusing to live in that inhuman world? The Poles are not to blame for the fact that they had to live in the extraordinary camp community of Auschwitz or to live while inhaling the odour of burning human flesh in the fields

behaved in the ghettos. If the Jews had ploughed the fields surrounding a death camp for Poles, they would have behaved in the same way as the peasants in the vicinity of Treblinka."

Poles faced the real threat of instant execution for the whole family if they were found sheltering Jews. Yet some Jews were hidden, tucked for months under floorboards or in barns, sharing scanty rations. In a system of such total terror - hundreds of Polish villages were wiped out by the SS - "heroism consisted sometimes in saving one man and passively consenting to the deaths of millions of others or conversely accepting someone's death in the

name of a bigger struggle." The words are those of Jerzy Urban, himself a Jew. Israel has acknowledged the bravery of some Poles in helping Jews, awarding them the "righteous among nations" distinction. But Lanzmann does not seek out these people, because, it seems, Shoah does not need heroes. But for all its weaknesses, it is an intriguing film, brave too in the way that it tackles the morality of survival. How fragile is the composure of Holocaust survivors; how easily the bad dreams return. But after the terrifying nine hours of foetage (there is, incidentally, not a corpse to be seen) there still lingers the sense of Lanzmann's blurred judgement, his search, at any price, for accomplices to murder. "Who is guilty," asks a Polish historian, "perhaps you, us, them; the guilt of not understanding in

### moreover . . . Miles Kington

## Prince and paparazzi

It isn't often realized that when a royal engagement like Prince Andrew's takes place, everything down to the proposal has to be done according to age-old, tra-ditional ceremony. As a service to readers, we reprint today some of the more important exchanges from the ancient ritual known as Ye Popping of Ye Royal Question.

The Reaching of the Royal Hideaway, which occurs early on, goes something like this: Sentry: Halt! Who goes there?

Sentry: Who else? Prince: The girl-friend. Sentry: Whose girl-friend? Prince: The Prince's girl-friend. Sentry: Advance, girl-friend, and be recognized! (Then shall the girlfriend advance, and the sentry shall say . . .) Art thou the one they call Sarah Ferguson? Girl-friend: That I am. Sentry: Good. Would thou care to

Prince: The Prince.

tell my readers what it feels like to be here? (Then shall the Prince knock off the sentry's hat and find camera inside.) Prince: Thou art another variet from the Press! Ho, guard, and

have this man ejected. Another early ceremony is the Meeting with the Prince's Parents, at which Prince Philip traditionally takes the lead. Philip: We are delighted to meet

you. Do you like horses? Girl-friend: Yes, I like horses a lot. (Then shall the Prince Andrew remind the girl-friend that they had promised to be honest in all things. And the girl-friend shall say ... No, actually, I'm not that keen on them. Philip: This displeaseth us.

thou interested in photography? Girl-friend: Not in the least. Philip: Thank God for that. Thereare too many photographers in the family already. Prince: That reminds me, father, I

have some more snaps of the

Navy to show you. Philip: Some other time, perhaps.

known as The Covering of Certain Basic Ground. Prince: Thon hath had other boyfriends before me? Girl-friend: Not as many as thy girl-friends. Prince: Yes, well, quite. And were

they good, trustworthy chaps? Not

given to loose chatter?

Girl-friend: Absolutely. Prince: Phew. (Then he shall hold her hand and say . . .) I now come to a very important question.

Girl-friend: Is this the big one? Prince: Not quite, but very hig. Art thou prepared for the Press to call thee Fergie? (Then shall the girlfriend burst into tears and say she

would even put up with that). One optional ritual which now follows is The Private Flight in a Helicopter. Prince: (shouting) And if you pull

this stick, it goes down! Girl-friend: (shouting) Can we land soon? Prince: Not yet. This is the only

place where we can really be alone. Girl-friend: Then who is that man under the seat with a camera! (At this point, the intruding press photographer shall be ejected over the ocean and not seen again.)

Finally comes the all-important ceremony itself. Prince: Oh, girl-friend, I am about to ask you a big question. Girl-friend: Is this the big one? Prince: This is the big one. Girl-friend: Then the answer is:
No, I do not dye it. That is its

natural colour. Journalist: (from under the sofa) Answer the question straight, girl.

Girl-friend: Yes, I will marry you.

Prince: Good. Let us announce it in the spring. Girl-friend: Why wait till then?

Prince Because Spitting Image will be off the air. Journalist (being thrown out of the window) Makes sense. Girl-friend: Isn't that the man you threw out of the helicopter? Prince: Yes. Works for the Moreover column. Absolute pest.

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Before the question itself can be popped, certain basic ground has to be covered in the ceremony

distinctly anti-semitic turn partly by distant memories of the separateness of the Jews, their wealth, their beards. There is a strong historical argument suggesting that the Poles were the most tolerant and hospitable of European peoples towards the Jews. That is precisely why such a large Jewish community arose in Poland. But the goodwill was

Judicial review: curb or strengthen? Council's night ban on heavy lorries. In another case the govern-

> the courts". Against this background the government last year tried to end the right of appeal against refusal of leave to bring judicial review proceedings. The Lord Chancellor said that an automatic right of appeal to the Court of Appeal was on the face of it an "excessive indulgence" and wasted an "enor-

> mous amount of judicial time". The strength of opposition forced a retreat. But there have since been been further moves to curtail judicial review. In a case inthe House of Lords last month, in which a homeless couple had challenged a decision by their local council, Lord Brightman said he was "troubled by the prolific use of judicial review" in such cases. The procedure should not be used to monitor local authorities' actions save in exceptional circumstances, he said. He hoped there would be fewer challenges against local authorities who were trying in "extremely difficult circum-

Persons) Act". In the same month there was a Court of Appeal ruling that will

stances to perform their duties

under the Housing (Homeless

adopted. Now it appeared to be a case of "anything is permissible unless and until it is stopped by immigration officers. Leave to apply for judicial review in this area will now be given only in exceptional circumstances, applicants must normally exercise the right of appeal under the Immigration Act, which means that they will no longer be able to remain in this country on the ground that legal proceedings are pending. Some lawyers and judges are

now concerned that the judicial review procedure has insufficient saleguards. Professor Graham Zellick of Queen Mary College, London, says that with the need to obtain leave, and other restrictions such as those on calling witnesses and the strict time limits involved, the scales are weighted in favour of public bodies.

Lord Justice Woolf has come up with a proposal to strengthen public safeguards: the creation of a director of civil proceedings to help applicants and monitor applications, advise the court. have access to government papers and be empowered to take overcases. The time may have come to

give that proposal a close look. Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent

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## SHARE PROFITS, BOOST JOBS

The Chancellor's new-found enthusiasm for profit-sharing is too precious a commodity to a fool's paradise. Industry's be dissipated in the ponderous process of consultation with all possible interested parties. The machinery of preparation and industry will pay much less for discussion at the National its fuel and raw materials, Economic Development whose cost is expected to fall a Council, for example, is capable of grinding so slowly that year. Other industrial counties ideas Mr Nigel Lawson tries are enjoying the same tossed out in the Budget would not emerge in ready-to-use form before the next election. and energy prices. Their wage restraint will compound the advantage. Britain is throwing

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This risk is compounded by Mr Lawson's disturbing tendency to launch an idea in one Budget, only to lay it up in the next. The reform of national insurance, in order to stimulate employment of the lowpaid, featured strongly in the 1985 Budget. It did not rate a mention last Tuesday. An even closer parallel is provided by Mr Lawson's "green paper" on personal tax. At the time of the 1985 Budget, Mr Lawson was proposing to have this ready before the autumn: it did not finally appear until this week.

Income tax reform cannot be implemented until the Inland Revenue's computers are ready, so the delay could be excused. But the momentum of reform was lost. Mr Lawson must not allow profit-sharing to go the same way. The need to implement this idea for loosening-up Britain's rigid and job-destroying wage structure is too urgent.

The Chancellor's own forecasts show that he expects Britain to lose competitiveness dangerously fast this year. In 1986. British labour costs per unit of output are expected to rise 4½ per cent - more than last year, and nearly twice as much as they did in 1984. In other industrial countries, unit labour costs are expected to rise hardly at all.

lower inflation is something of product prices are expected to rise only slowly. But Britain can claim little credit for that: worldwide fall in commodity

it away. The aim of profit-sharing is to introduce an automatic flexibility into the British wage system, which produces a rise in real wase costs that persists irrespective of industry's fortunes. Like the existing schemes for extending share ownership to employees, it would create a closer identity between the interests of the workforce and the profit

performance of the company.

Such schemes are now spreading fast. Over a thousand have been approved; back in 1979, only 30 existed. The Inland Revenue estimates that by last year, the 14 million employees who had taken part in such schemes had between them received shares. or interests in shares, worth over £1½ billion. Together with share option schemes for directors and higher-paid. employees, these need to be brought into the ambit of Mr Lawson's new review. : .

But profit-sharing brings the identity of interest between dividend-earner and employee much closer; it would - or should - have a larger and much more immediate effect on employees' remuneration than the distribution of a few shares. The higher a propor- and quickly.

Thus Mr Lawson's vision of tion of pay linked to profits. the less likely a company would be to find itself squeezed out of markets by the unstoppable momentum of

labour costs. In turn, this would mean that companies in difficulty would be less likely to lay off workers as the only way of reducing their wage bills: the link between pay and jobs would begin to work in favour of employment. If the economy slows down next year (and even the Treasury is forecasting a dip below 3 per cent), such a brake on labourshedding would be vitally

There are, of course, difficulties. When pay and profit are closely linked, a company's workforce might be resistant to the taking-on of more labour that would dilute its share of profits; schemes would have to be drawn up in such a way that they did not inhibit expansion.

But the principal constraint is that profit-sharing can only be encouraged, not enforced. Hence the Chancellor's desire to move by consultation, in search of a set of schemes that would command general industrial support. To launch a scheme that found favour only in the City, where it provided yet another channel for the payment of huge bonuses to market operators, would be a sorry end to this initiative.

In the end, however, Mr Lawson's choice is rather simple: whether to underpin profit-sharing with sufficient tax advantages to overcome the inertia of British industry and British trade unions. A minimum of consultation is all that is needed to explore the practicalities. After that, it is up to the Chancellor to act -

#### THE GENERAL WOULD APPROVE

In 1976 M Jacques Chirac dinance, including the go by, M Barre was likely to resigned as French Prime Min-privatization of nationalized, win, and partly because they ister because he found that President Giscard d'Estaing did not have him enough freedom of action. So it is at first sight rather surprising that he should now be willing to accept appointment for a secrm as Prime Minister from a president who owes him nothing, and who represents the opposite political

But his expectation of having more real power than ten years ago is founded on a clear. and reasonable argument. Then it was M Giscard d'Estaing who had a direct popular mandate, and though M Chirac's government enjoyed the confidence of the National Assembly it did so no more than any other government the President might have chosen. Now M Mitterrand's mandate is five years out of date, and all but cancelled out politically by the mandate which M Chirac has secured for himself as leader of the . newly-elected parliamentary majority.

The government, one may therefore reasonably expect. will be M Chirac's rather than M Mitterrand's. The fact that M Mitterrand has agreed to let him seek parliamentary interest in precipitating a authority to carry out certain presidential election which, if authority to carry out certain measures by executive or-

of the majority voting system. tends to support that reason-

On the other hand, the fact that M Chirac has had to start by allowing the President to the most important government posts - foreign affairs and defence, both areas in. which the constitution gives the President specific responsibilities - goes some way to support the rival thesis of M Chirac's successor as Prime Minister last time round, M Raymond Barre. In the latter's view the whole spirit of the constition requires the President to be the dominant personage in the state. Therefore, he argues, the Opposition should have fought the election on a clearpromise to force M Mitterrand to resign if they won.

What seems to be happening now is that the Barristes are winning some of the argument in Ingic but losing it politically. Before the election they were unable to persuade the rest of the Opposition to adopt their point of view - partly because other Opposition leaders, and especially M Chirac had no opinion polls were anything to

industries and the restoration sensed that a pledge to stage a constitutional crisis was not an election winner.

Much of the electorate. while glad enough to get rid of the Socialists government sees no reason why M Mitterrand term in the Elysee and tends to think the country would be better run if politicians could get over their differences and agree to work together. Which is what M Chirac and M Mitterrand are now trying to

One thing one cannot say so far is that de Gaulle's constitution has proved unworkable. In fact the General himself might think it is working rather well. M Jean Lecannet, the man M Mitterrand has turned down for Foreign Minister, ran against de Gaulle for President in 1965 on an "Atlanticist" or pro-American platform - and his views have not changed much since. That M Chirac should have proposed him for such a post shows how un-Gaullist the former Gaullist party has now become. In preserving the continuity of French foreign policy against the ebb and flow of parliamentary majorities, M Mitterrand is doing just what de : Gaulle conceived . the president's job to be.

#### SIR GEOFFREY'S CYPRUS TASK

Britain has another opportunity to exert what influence it still has over the future of Cyprus, when Sir Geoffrey Howe holds "very important" talks with Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek prime minister, in Athens today. They take place against the background of an improved relationship between Greece and its Western allies - which is just as well, because they will need plenty of good will.

The nearest that anyone has come so far to reuniting the divided island was in New York in January last year, when the UN Secretary-General Senor Javier Perez de Cuellar produced a document which the Turkish Cypriot leader Mr Rauf Denktas found acceptable. But President Kyprianou, representing the Greek Cypriots, did not - at least not as it stood. The meeting broke up in disarray.

After a break for wounded pride to heal, and for elections in both communities, the industrious Perez de Cuellar is now almost ready to have another attempt. Recent socalled "low-level" talks with both communities have pre-the Turks. As for Sir Geoffrey, pared the way for a new draft he has to impress upon Mr

retary-General is expected to present within the next few weeks. But has all that much changed? Mr Papandreou and Presi-

dent Kyprianou fear that they

might be confronted by another "semi-agreement" which will not address a number of issues which they see as essential prerequisites - including the withdrawal of around 17,000 Turkish troops and the right of all Cypriots to move, live and work wherever they choose on the island. The difficulty faced by the UN negotiators is that Mr Denktas's self-proclaimed Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) refuses to accept these as pre-conditions. They are, they say, complex issues affecting the security and economic well-being of the Turkish minority. At least they should be left until a new federal framework has been given time to prove itself when they could be sorted out by a process of sub-commit-

What Senor Javier Perez de Cuellar has to do is to find a formula which will satisfy the Greeks without upsettinging agreement which the Sec- Papandreou (as he did upon

Mr Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, in London last month), that his government should use its considerable influence upon the Cypriots to steer them towards the necessary compromise.

There is some need for urgency following signs of fresh Soviet interest in exploiting the situation. A set of Russian proposals two months agn included a call for an international conference and the removal of all foreign troops from the island. Those foreign troops" include British soldiers and airmen on the Sovereign Base Areas and the long-range radar station on Mount Olympus.

The Russian initiative was a reminder that Cyprus with its unique strategic position in the Eastern Mediterranean and the involvement of two opposed Nato powers, is too important to be left entirely to the Cypriots. The UN initiative offers the two communities their best chance to mend - or rather tear down their fences. Britain as one of the guarantors of its independence has an official as well as a vested interest in trying to ensure that they seize it.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lambeth Health Authority

Sir. In his comments

wardclosures, the Director of the

Association of Independent Hos-

pitals (March 14) ignores an

essential difference between pri-vate patient beds in NHS hospitals

and those elsewhere. The 16 NHS beds at St Thomas' Hospital I

proposed to use for private pa-tients are occupied by NHS pa-tients with a near 100 per cent

occupancy rate. The case mix nf private and NHS patients at St

Thus all treatment and other

costs are already being incurred. The use of these beds for private

patients would result in net addi-

tional income of £727,000 to the

health authority, allowing for a lower private bed utilisation and

somewhat higher "hntel" costs.

This would be a significant help in

meeting the £2 million cuts we face this year.

Any organisation that has cash

flow difficulties can improve its

cost efficiency, reduce its activity

or generate more income. The demand for health service at St

Thomas' Hospital far exceeds the

financial resources the regional bealth authority considers it can

provide under present resource

To avoid over-spending West

Lambeth Health Authority was asked to agree to further efficiency

savings (we have already saved £5

million over the last four years,

much of it recurring), severe

reductions in services and to

accept two proposals to generate more income. Of 22 separate

proposals, 21 were accepted, albeit

some of them with the utmost

reluctance. Only the proposal to

increase the number of private

beds was rejected.

The real issue is the present

incongruous approach to funding

the NHS. Recent correspondence

(Professor Shuster and Mr Cole-

man, March 15) has drawn atten-

tion to the problems of districts

supposed to be gaining from redistribution. The damage being

caused to losing districts such as

West Lambeth is severe and it is

no exaggeration to say that fund-

ing policies threaten the very

existence of a oumber of our

leading teaching hospitals and the

rapid deterioration of centres of medical excellence of inter-

Clearly the present resource

allocation policies.

Thomas' is virtually the same.

Where hospital cuts hurt most

From the Chairman of West allocation policy fails to meet Lambeth Health Authority anyone's needs. It is not enough to

#### US military aid to Nicaragua

From the Overseas Director of Oxfam Sir, Your leader on March 17 supporting military aid to the Contras for their war against Nicaragua attributes a surprising number of positive results to this conflict. This is certainly not our

experience.
As a humanitarian agency working in Nicaragua for more than 20 years we find all nur work there oow threatened by the Contra war. 14,000 Nicaragians have been killed since 1981. There are 250,000 internal refugees who have left the border zones where the Contras operate.

Development projects have been destroyed. Priorities have been distorted by the needs of defence, and now President Rea-gan is asking for as much aid in one year as the Contras have received in total from the US Government since 1981. The Contras have been guilty of gross human rights violations. Indeed health, literacy and development workers are often singled out by the Contras for torture and executinn.

It is ironic that the US Administration's plea for a further \$100,000,000 to support the Contras comes during Central America Week here in Britain. Aid agencies, human rights organisations and church groups have organised events in over 100 inwis and cities around the country to focus attention on poverty and conflict in Central America.

In our view this latest proposal can only serve to prolong the suffering in the region and weaken the position of those both inside Nicaragua and abroad seeking peaceful development. Yours sincerely, DAVID BRYER,

Overseas Director, Oxfam. Oxfam Honse. 274 Banbury Road March 17.

#### The Savery case From the Director of Education.

County of Avon Sir, In his piece entitled "An erosion of freedom" in last Thursday's Times (March 13), Mr Ronald Butt expresses concern that in his opinion. The free expression of opinion is under threat... and democracy is being destroyed." Mr Butt should consider the issue a little more deeply and recognise that freedom cuts both ways.

If an individual's expression of opinion is extreme and provocative enough to be deeply and seriously offensive to others, particularly those with whom he then whose freedom is put at risk?

Some action is needed to ensure that the question is investigated objectively in common justice to those who are attacked and the philosophy which they uphold. That is the process which I have put in train in Mr Savery's case. Since Mr Butt is concerned that

"democracy is being destroyed" by this process, he may get some reassurance from the fact that the arbiters in the procedure are from among those who have been democratically elected by the people of the County of Avon to run the authority's affairs. Yours faithfully, P. COLEMAN. Director of Education, County of Avon. P O Box 57. Avon House North, St James Barton, Bristol,

#### Cost of gardening.

AVOIL.

March 17.

March 18.

From Mrs Thea Hawthorn Sir, Mr Roscher (March 18) is no doubt correct in his arithmetic, but he really should not frighten us so. The cost of the seed is trivial in total, and far outweighed by the value of the tomatoes he grows, a rake you only buy once; many of us OAPs find plenty to do without

The true economics of gardening are quite different - they put a price on the things we don't do: the foreign hulidays we don't take, the golf clubs we don't join (has Mr Roscher noticed the subscriptions lately?), the cinemas we don't go to. I don't know how we should live without it. I am, Sir, yours sincerely, THEA HAWTHORN, Mayfield, Pembridge, Leominster Herefordshire.

risk to children by its confusion for all concerned. Mr Dennis Walters's Bill would add further to

that confusion. The Government has accepted the challenge posed in 1984 by the select committee on the social services to review and clarify the law in child care and its widely welcomed review paper is currently being re-examined in the light of responses from all the relevant agencies. The expected outcome from this review is new, well considered government leg-islation and the Bill is therefore

put more money into the NHS if

the basic approach to distributing

that money is unsound.

العلمة المناسلة

It is surprising that a Conservarive of all governments should seek to pursue a policy of levelling down to a common level of mediocrity at the expense of the few centres of excellence we have. Yours faithfully, L. D. COWAN, West Lambeth Health Authority.

St Thomas' Hospital, SEI. March t7.

From Mr Maurice Sutton Sir, Professor Shuster's statement (March 15) that "Government policy is nuthing less than to dismantle the NHS" is arrant nonsense. By any legitimate parameter the money available for the NHS has risen every year in real terms. Also a genuine effort is being made to reduce inefficiency

and mismanagement.

What critics of NHS funding conveniently forget is that the doctors' obsession with expensive high technology equipment is a major factor in the perennial funding crises.

A consultant's worth is now

uften measured by the expensive equipment that he can acquire rather than how his patients fare. Those not in the medical field may be interested to know that the two do not necessarily go together. Yours faithfully, MAURICE SUTTON, Director,

Department of Radiotherapy and North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton, N18. March 15.

From Professor Michael Baum Sir, The DHSS talks about "cost improvement measures", nur re-gional health authority talks about "efficiency savings" and the doc-tors and nurses of the Camberwell

health district talk about "cuts". The ministry of health sound more like George Orwell's ministry of plenty every day, so that whenever Norman Fowler announces increased resource allocation to the NHS I break out in a cold sweat! Yours faithfully

MICHAEL BAUM, King's College School of Medicine and Dendstry, Denmark Hill, SES. March 17.

In the United States where the

three main networks compete for

revenue the sales directors sit in

on and influence the process by

which - programmes are either cancelled or commissioned.

30 years of independent television

here, advertisers have never inter-

fered with schedules and content.

manopoly.
Would Channel Faur's oow

successful policy have survived

intact after its bumpy start if its

airtime were not being sold by the

ITV companies?

Yours faithfully,

Controller: BBC-1,

London W12

March 17.

nne basis.

MICHAEL GRADE

**BBC Television Centre** 

Inner city fabric

ation of Consultant Planners

From the Chairman of the Associ-

Sir, it is encouraging that Lord Young is applying his consid-

erable energies to resolving the difficulties facing nur cities in

their inner areas (report, March 12). I am sure he is right to look to

educational and training reform as

if your Social Policy Correspon-dent has correctly read the signals

uf an end to large-scale govern-ment intervenous. For hand in

hand with strengthening the social

fabric, must go the conserving and

improvement of the physical fab-ric. There is wide concern that the

housing stock in particular is

deteriorating in quality, and it is

hard to see how this can be arrested if urban funding pro-

Association of Consultant Plan-

grammes are curtailed.

Ynurs faithfully, C. J. HOLLAND, Chairman,

ners, 42-46 Weymouth Street, W1.

Meaningful terms

But it would be a serious matter

I do agree with Mr Miles that in

#### Advertisers on TV

national standing.

From the Controller of BBC-1 Sir, Mr Kenneth Miles's arguments (March 13) that advertisers have no designs on the editorial content of television programmes are somewhat disiogenuous. Experience io the UK and US demonstrates otherwise. When the IRA m

eroded the ITV companies' airtime selling munopoly by creating TV-am, advertisers clearly disapproved of Peter Jay's innovalve but risky "mission to explain" when it failed to deliver winning ratings immediately. They withdrew their money and TV-am were forced to respond with a new populist approach in order to survive and reattract advertising revenue.

#### Keeping out the cold

From the Sayed Idries Shah Sir. The Japanese kotatsu table with a warming element under it and a quilt to contain the heat, and also the "piece of Spanish furniture" (Mr R. J. Kenyon, March 18) is, in fact, the central Asian sandali. It seems more than likely that it reached Japan from this area — as did, for example, Buddhism from the Afghan Bamiyan monasteries.

Similarly, given the contact between the eastern Islamic world and Spain during the Arab period, the sandali may well have come

from this origin.
Incidentally, the idea may not catch on here. The introduction of a fan-heater instead of a charcoal brazier was pinneered by the Afghan Master of the Mint, Sufi Abdul-Hamid Khan, in the 1950s. Inspired by this, I took the idea to the Patent Office, where I was interviewed by an official.

After listening to me for some time and looking at my sketches, he called in two associates who he called in two associates who muled over the questinn and gave me the verdict. "To place one's body half under a table, with heater and quift to conserve warmth may be a good idea. We do not feel, however, that this kind of thing is wanted in England." With respects, yours truly, IDRIES SHAH, Langton House, Langton Green. Nr Tunbridge Wells,

From Mr M. A. Wyldbore-Smith Sir. I am no longer being offered second-hand cars by motor traders; they are pre-owned and pre-selected. Will they be any better? Yours faithfully, M. A. WYLDEBORE-SMITH,

March 12.

Moat Cottage, Truggist Lane,

Berkswell, Coventry.

## Children in care

Kent

March 18.

From the President of the National Children's Bureau

but could also do harm.

Two points immediately occur.

First, as Mr Blom-Cooper and his

associates point out in the letter

which you published today

(March 19), the present jumble of

child care law constitutes a further

Sir, Despite its undoubted good intentions, the Children and Young Persons (Amendment) Bill is not in the interests of children. My colleagues and I have undertaken very wide consultations amongst the statutory authorities, the voluntary child care organisations and in the legal field; and the averwhelming consensus is that the Bill is at best untimely

> Secondly, the courts, at least as presently constituted, are not the appropriate or proper places for weighing the complex and sensitive circumstances which surround decisions about children in

care. The Government's review reinforces this point, which is now widely accepted, so that the Bill is contrary to the spirit of their proposed legislation.

If it had been enacted, Mr Walters's Bill would not have saved Jasmine Beckford's life: furthermore, many abused children are not in fact in care. Even for those children and families whose lives would be affected by his Bill, the proposed changes have nothing to commend them and could, in particular circumstances, be harmful to the children

I remain, yours faithfully, LUCY FAITHFULL, President, National Children's Burean, 8 Wakley Street, ECI. March 19.

#### ON THIS DAY

MARCH 21 1876

More than once "On this Day" has reprinted articles by William Howard Russell in his role as the great war correspondent. Here he proves that he did not need the sound of trumpets to inspire vioid descriptive writing. He had left The Times in 1863 but the paper retained him as o correspondent, and he accompanied the Prince of Wales (later Edward VII) on his journey through the Indian sub-continent in 1875-6.

THE PRINCE IN NEPAUL. (From Our Special Correspondent.)
Camp Jamao, on the Sards

I can only describe what oc-

curred to-day from the somewhat exhausted lips of those who late in the afternoon returned from a 50 miles run on the backs of tam elephants, and who went with the Prince on an expedition to see the mode of fighting and capturing wild ones. There is nothing which so pleases a captive "hathi" as to batter one of his free brethren into such a state of stupidity and weakness that he is unable to frustrate the arts of the snarer who slips the rope and chain round his legs and leads him into servitude. In Nepaul this science is practised in perfection. There are certain elephants of great strength, courage, address, and malignity to-wards their species which are kept for the purposes of fighting. There are others of extraordinary spee to follow up the chase with the spectator—lucus o non lucendo—on their backs. One of the grandest old savages in the world, who is shown as the hero of 100 fights, and who has never yet been beaten, is fastened up outside this camp in a sort of little domain of his own. His bulk is incredible. The enormous size of his limbs, body, and head diminishes the effect of his great stature. He has only one tusk having lost the other in action. His head, which displays gigantic bumps of combativeness and destruction, is coloured blood red and his body is of a similar sanguinary hue. There is a tree by his side to which his hind legs are secured first by triple coils of stout rope, and then by iron cables, and when he leans forward the tree leans too, and then there comes into your head, "Which way shall I run when he pulls it up?" His ttendants live-if their existence can be called living—in huts close to him, and any pride they may feel in being of his suite is evidently subdued by fear, for they approach him mincingly, and I dare say utter inward propitiatory words. He is never at rest, and his eye, full of devilish cunning, never loses sight of you for a moment. The fiendish joy of such a monster of strength in being led out to bettle can only be experienced, perhaps, by a prize lighter backed heavily for a sure thing. Perhaps, however, he may be really a philelephant, and be actuated by a friendly desire to reclaim his erring brethren and subject them to the processes of civilization-to carry burdens, and bear fardels and goading.

There were two herds of ele

phants in the wood east of the

camp, and it was Sir Jung's desire

to centure them under the eyes of

the Prince. Horses were ordered to

be ready at 7am, and the fast

elephants with pads were sent on ahead for the Prince and his party.

Howdahs cannot be used for this work-they would be swept off hy the branches. The Prince has to get astride on a pad, bolding on by a strap-the mahout in front with a "kukeree" to cut creepers and urge his "hathi", behind a man with a mallet to hammer the creature into full speed, and these trained racers will do seven miles an hour, the usual pace of the animals being only 21/2, as a high average. When the party had ridden a few miles they found the pad elephants and a number of others, and were told thet the fighting fellows were on ahead engaged with some of the wild ones, who, headed by an old tusker, were showing a bold front, and giving battle resolutely. "Forward" was the word. The Prince had at least a novel sensation now, for the elephant, "kukereed" before and malleted behind, dashed on at a speed which would have been exhilarating enough, but that he went crashing through trees, down ravines, up ullahs, through jungle in the mos reckless and terrible manner, and that he had an infinite store of water in his proboscis, which he replenished at every pool, and sluiced himself with from time to time as he ran to cool his sides quite forgetting that he had outsiders, too, and drenching the Prince unmercifully. After two hours of this wild career over very difficult country Sir Jung called a halt and uggested that they should send back and have the tents moved up to the place where they were and continue the chase; but it was as it might be difficult to have the tents struck, moved, and pitched by the evening. So the hunt was up again, till Sir Jung once more pulled up and told the Prince he was 25 miles from his camp and that they must give up and return. As they were dismounted, taking some refreshment, runners came up to announce that some of the wild herd had broken back. "Mount at once," exclaimed Sir Jung, "you are not safe. Get on your elephants." Another scout came to report that the tusker had struck to the left and that the fighters were engaged with him. Off went the Prince and party full speed again, but they did not see the battle. They only beheld the result, for about ten miles back they came on the captive-his less tied—an elephant on each side and one before and one behind him, his proboscis dejected, his tail bleed. ing, his ribs punched, his head battered, his bearing exceeding

sorrowful. Sir Jung was by no

means pleased . . .

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## **COURT** SOCIAL

#### **COURT** CIRCULAR

March 20: Mr Graham Greene had the honour of being re-ceived by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Member of the Order of Merit.

Dr Frederick Sanger had the honour of being received by The Oueen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a

Member of the Order of Merit. His Excellency Senor Jorge Eduardo Navarrete was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Mexico to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompa His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Señor Lic Raphael Sieger (Minister). Señor Lic Maria de los Angeles Lopez Ortega de Dreier (Minister (Multilateral Affairs)). Señor Ing Germán Castañeda (Minister (Consular Affairs)). Señor (Consular Affairs)). Señor Ignacio Durán (Minister (Consular Affairs)). Vice-Admiral Osvaldo Fourzan Marquez (Naval Attaché), Major-General Hèctor Ahuja (Military Atta-chél. Señor Martha Millan de Wasmer (Counsellor), and Se-nor Lic Luis Cabrera-Cuaron (Counsellor (Commercial

Sir Antony Acland (Permaneoi Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by The Queen was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting

Mr Roger Hervey had the honour of being received by The Queen and received his Chain of Office upon his appointment as Vice-Marshal of the Diplomaue

Corps. Mr W. R. Tomkys (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraor-

dinary and Plenipotentiary at Damascus) and Mrs Tomkys had the honour of being received by Her Majesty. Mrs Margaret Bryan was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon

her appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Panama City.
The Queeo this afternoon opened and toured the new Head Office of the Standard

Head Office of the Standard Chartered Group at 38 Bishopsgate, London, EC3.
Her Majesty was received upon arrival by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Allan Davis) and the Chairman of Standard Chartered Bank pic

(the Lord Barber).
The Hon Mary Morrison, Mr

Robert Fellowes and Lieutent-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilsoo were in attendance. The Queen, with the Duke of Edinburgh, this evening honoured with her presence the

Royal Film Performance White Nights in aid of the Cioema and Television Benevolent Fund (President, Mr Sydney Samuelson) at the Odeon Theatre. Leicester Square.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness later left Eustoo Sta-tion in the Royal Train to visit Greater Manchester, The Duchess of Grafton, Mr

Robert Fellowes and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilsoo were in attendance.

The Duke of Edioburgh, President of the Royal Mini Advisory Committee, this morning chaired a meeting of

His Royal Highness, President of World Wildlife Fund International launched the 25th Anniversary Campaign of World Wildlife Fund, United Kingdom at the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George

President of the World Federation Equestre Internationale Four-in-Hand Driving Championsbips for 1986, this afternoon presided over a Press Conference at the Royal Mews, Buckingham Palace.
Mr Brian McGrath was in

attendance. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips. President of the Save the Children Fund, this morning

for the Disabled Association attended a luncheon at the Saddlers' Hall, London, EC2 and received the 10th Silver Jubilee Saddle from the Worshipful Company of

Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by the Master of the Worshipful Company (Mr T. Salishury).

of the late Mr Brian Berridge The Princess Aone, Mrs Mark and Mrs Joseph Gurney, of Northrepps Hall, Cromer, Nor-folk, and Marilyn, only daughter of Commander Alan Bott, US Phillips. Chancellor of the University of London, this eveoing attended the London Hospital Medical College's Bi-Navy retd, and Mrs Bott, of Centenary Dinner at Guildhall. Her Royal Highness was re-Portsmouth, New Hampshire, United States.

ceived by the Vice-Chancellor of the University (the Lord Flow-ers) and the Dean of the College (Professor M. Flover) CLARENCE HOUSE

March 20; Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon opened the Princess Alice Hos-

Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.

March 20: The Prince of Wales, President, The Prince of Wales's Advisory Group on Disability. accompanied by The Princess of Wales, this morning chaired a meeting of the Group at Ken-

His Royal Highness, Colonel in Chief. 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards, this afternoon received Brigadier Allan Find-lay upon retinquishing his appointment as Colonel of the Regiment and Major-General Richard Keightley upon assum-

ing the appointment. March 20: The Priocess Marparet, Countess of Snowdon, President of the Girl Guides Association, this evening visited and attended a Supper given by

the World Committee. Lady Juliet Townsend was in March 20: The Duke of

Gloucester this morning opened the Rothwell Community and Sports Centre. In the afternoon His Royal Highness visited Texas Homecare Distribution Centre, Wellingborough, and opened their new Home Charm

Queen's Flight.

#### Memorial service

thony Harvey, the Rev Michael Mr O. Palme Thompson, the Rev Sven Evander, the Rev Anders Fehn The King of Sweden was represented by the Swedish Ambasand the Rev Mats Hagelin were sador, who also gave ao address, at a memorial service for Mr robed and in the sacrarium. Princess Margaretta of Swe-Olof Palme held to Westminster Abbey yesterday. The Prime Minister read the lesson and the

Forthcoming marriages

London and placed on the high

altar. Mr Ingvar Wixell sang "Sverige" and "Det eviga".

Canon Trevor Beeson, Canon

Sebastian Charles, Canon An-

and MISS C.M.L. Barran
The engagement is anoounced between William Walrond, soo of Major and Mrs D.P.V. Lucy, of The Chantry, Illminster, Somerset, and Calista, youngest daughter of Sir David and Lady Barran, of Kensington Square, and Brent Eleigh, Suffolk.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Pomeroy, el-

dest son of Dr Frederick Beilby and Mrs John Aitken, and Carolyn, daughter of the late Mr

Charles Massey and the late Mrs Verena treland and step-

daughter of Major Ian Ireland.

The engagement is announced

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs M.A. Cooke, of Shrivenham, Wiltshire, and Jac-

queline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Allewell, of

Stickford House, Stickford, Bos-

The engagement is announced

between Jeffrey Ian, only soo of Mr and Mrs Murray Dichek, of

Scarsdale, New York, and Susa

Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David Terry, of Ladywood,

The engagement is announced

between Adrian James, eldest

son of Mr and Mrs James Houstoun, of Buckhurst Hill, Essex, and Virginia Amanda,

daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Nigel Patrick.

The engagement is announced

Mr Ian Moseley, of Littlestone,

Kent, and Mrs Anne Moseley, of

3 Smith Street, Chelsea, and Faye, daughter of Dr and Mrs

The engagement is announced

between Robert, soo of Mr and

Mrs Bruce Ropner, Camphill, Bedale, Yorkshire, and

MACKELVIE. On March 19th, peace-fully after a brief filmess. Alexander Kenneth MacKelvie C.A. (Caotain R.N.V.R. retired) dearly loved hos-band of Janet, and dear brother of Jean and Minette. Puneral service at St. Modars Church, Benderloch, on Friday 21st March at 11 am. Crema-tion private. family flowers only. MCWHINNE Kate Handlon formerly of Edinburgh at Freeland House Nursing Home nr Oxford, peacefully aged 90, on 16th March 1966. Wid-ow of James McWhinnie and dearly loved mother of James and Motra and the late Gregor. Cremation private.

private.

MELVILLE Thomas Hudspith on the
14th March. 1986, at the home of his
daughter. In Wimbledom, in his
100th year, formerly of
Newtournore loverness Shire. Husband of the late Wintrad Forbes,
dear father of David. Shells, Flona,
and the late lan, much leved grandfather may exact conditation.

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MURBAY - on 19th March 1986, Dr John Murray O.B.E. M.A. (Edin), PhD (Yate): former Consultant Director Modele East: Economist intelligence Unit. Chairman Modele East Association 1973-74. Dearty loved historid of Mariorie. Funeral at 11.50 am. on Thursday 27th March, at St. Columba's Church of Scotland. Port Street. London SW1. followed by private cremation. Enquiries to J.H. Kenyon Ltd., 9 Pond Street, London NW3. Telt. 01-794 3538.

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Mr R.J.B. Ropser

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etween Marcus, elder son of . Mr B.I.S. Blower

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Mr W.W. Locy and Miss C.M.L. Barran

Mr N.P. Bellby and Miss C.R. Massey

Mr A.L.T. Berridge and Miss M.L. Bott

Mr J.A. Cooke

and Miss J Allewell

ton. Lincolnshire.

and Miss S.J. Terry

Mr J.1. Dichek

Worcestershire.

Mr A.J. Houston

and Miss V.A. Patrick

Mr M.G.M. Moseley

and Miss F. Ran

den was represented by Mr John Ambier. The Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster and Mr Speaker was represented by Mr L.J.D. Haywood, the Lord Mayor of London, who was accompanied by Mr Sheriff Jack Ernest Armstrong, MP. The Right Rev Edward Knapp-Fisher officiated, assisted by the Neary, the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs. Mr James Callaghan MP, the Leader of the Rev Alan Luff, precentor and sacrist, and the Rev Lennart Sjostrom, Pastor of the Swedish Church in London. Other trib-Liberal Party and the Leader of the Social Democratic Party utes were paid by Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Oppoalso attended. Among others sition, and Mrs Gertrud present were: Sigurdsen, representing the Swedish Government. The Swedish National Flag was car-ried in procession by pupils from the Swedish School in

Ambassadors, High Commissioners and other members of the Distonant Corps. Lord and Lady Mounteyard, Lord Dram. Lord and Lady Mounteyard, Lord Dram. Lord Boston of Faversham, QC, Baroners Nicol, Bureness Robson of Riddington, Lord and Lady Kaldor, Lord Bruce of Donington, Lord Bruce of Donington, Lord Chief Bruce of Confedent Lord Chief Bruce of Confedent Lord Chief While, Bercharty of State for Northern Ireland, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, the Secretary of State for Wates, the Chief While, Mr Roy Hertersley, Br. Mr Peter Archer, CCMP, Mr McChael Foot, MP, Mr Struce Millan, MR, Mr

Mr C.T.L. Fellowes and Miss C.E. Speke

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Mr D.K. Thompson

Norfolk

Dr P.T.J. Wilson

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Mr M.L. Wright

Shortlands, Kent.

Marriages

and Miss S.T. Wagner

Toat Farm, Itchingfield.

and Miss Hilary Ann Cobb.

Mr M.W. McPherson

and Miss H.A. Cobb

and Miss P.L. Ward

and Miss A.C. Nett

and Miss S.J.T. Tate

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Captain

Peter Prince, RN, and Mrs Prince, of Hammersmith, Lon-

don, and Sally, daughter of Mr Geoffrey Tale, FRCS, and Mrs Tale, of Harrogale, Yorkshire.

The engagement is announced between David Keith, son of Mr and Mrs F. Thompson, of

Christeburch, Dorset, and Au-

drey Caroline, daughter of Mr

and Mrs B. Nutt, of Thetford,

The engagement is announced

between Piers Timothy John, eldest son of Mr L.S. Wilson and

the late Mrs J.E. Wilson, of Walkern, Hertfordshire, and Pa-tricia Margaret Vibeke, daugh-ter of Mr J. Mellon and the late

Mrs E. Mellon, and step-daughter of Mrs P. Mellon, of

The engagement is announce

between Malcolm, son of Mr

and Mrs Norman A.R. Wright.

of West Wickham, Kent, and Philippa Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek H.G. Ward, of

The marriage took place at St Peter, Shofold, West Sussex, on

Saturday, March 8, 1986, be-tween Mr Benjamin J.S. Blower,

of North Cove, Beccles, Suffolk, and Miss Sclina T. Wagner, of

Britisb Embessy.

and Miss P.M.V. Mellon

and Miss N.M. Ward

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#### Dinners

Catenian Association The Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Basil Hume, OSB, and the Abbot of The engagement is announced between Charles Timothy Lyon, Hume, OSB, and the Abbot of Ealing and Abbot President of the English Benedictine Congregation, the Right Rev Francis Rossiter, OSB, were the guests of honour at a dinner last night to celebrate the 700th meeting of the Edit Constant of the between Charles Timothy Lyon, youngest son of the late Captain Neville Fellowes and of Mrs Neville Fellowes of Beechingstoke Barn, Pewsey, Wiltshire, and Clayre Elizabeth, younger daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs N.H.R. Speke, of Aydoo White House, Corbridge, Northumberland. the Ealing Circle of the Catenian Association held in the Orchard Hall at St Benedict's School, Ealing The other guests in-cluded the Prior of Ealing Abbey, the Mayor of Ealing, Sir George Young, MP, Mr Harry Greenway, MP, the Grand President of the Catenian Association, Mr Aldo Bagatti, The engagement is announced between Timothy, eldest soo of Mr and Mrs D.J. O'Sullivan, of Beckenham, Kent, and Nichola Marie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek H.G. Ward, of Shortlands Vert and other members of the grand council. Mr Donald Smart,

Glaxo Science Writers Awards the Glaxo Science Writers, Awards for science journalism, resented by Glaxo Holdings Association of British Science Writers, was marked by a dinner held at the Dorchester botel last oight. Mr Paul Girolami, chair-man of Glaxo Holdings, was the host and the guest of honour was Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science. Sir Keith presented commemorative awards to the

communication since the incep-

The annual awards, each worth £1,250, for work published or broadcast in 1985, were presented by Mr Girolan to Mr Oliver Morton (freelance, The Economist), Miss Rosalind Herman and Mr Steve Connor (New Scientist), Mr Mike Salis-bury (BBC Television, Natural History Unit) and Mr Martin Redfern (BBC External

Services). London Hospital Medical

Princess Anne, Chancellor of London University, was the mest of honour at a dinner given by the London Hospital Medical College in Guildhall Princess last night as part of its biother guests welcomed by Mr Matthew Pryor, chairman of the council of governors, and Professor M.A. Floyer, dean of the college, were:

the college, were:
Lord Flowers (Vice-Chancellor of
London University), Mr. B. Has/hoe
Minister of Health), Mr. P. Holwell
Principal of London University). Lord
Pitt of Harnpatend President of the
Medical Association), Mr. A.G. Green
Chastman of the British Derhal
Association), Dr. D. Acheson Chief
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Association), Dr. D. Acheson
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medical of the UGO, Mr.
D. Bertham (chairman, North Esst
Themes Regional Health Authority),
Professor T. Ope (Dean of the
Feculty of Medicine, London University), Strapes Memile (Principal of
Gasen Mary College) and Dr. I. Kelsey
Fry (Dean of St. Bartholomen,
Fry The marriage took piace at Woodbridge, Suffolk, on Sat-urday, February 22, between Mr Makohn William McPherson

in the chair.

resident of Ealing Circle, was The twentieth anniversary of

New Scientist and BBC Television's Horizon, judged to have made outstanding ecotributions to seience ion of the awards in 1966.

College

House, Winchester,
WARD-MLL On 14th March 1986,
peacefully in hospital, Reverend
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and Coversity, aged 85 years. Hushand of lale Sophie Vesta, father of
Thomas Vaughan. Crumetton at
Shrewsbury. Eliquiries to David Davies, Coversity 653116.
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NEZMS Jessamine on Merch 16th, 1986, in hospital, Devoted mother of Judy and Jersemy (decessed), loving grammy to Mank, Michael, David and James, Will be sadly missed by her sister and her many friends. Cremition on Friday April 11th at 2pm at Golden's Green Crematorium.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICES

horsewoman. She was a dedi and erudite gardener, and add tiny bit to England by creeking nothing, over 40 years and large with her own hands, a garden th will surely endure, She sailed a bo with a delicate precision that was pleasure to watch. But above all sh she was alone she fought for her chil dren. She fought hard for the well dren. She fought hard for the well-being of her parests when they were old. She fought year after year for the Tibetan refugees. She fought on the British Council for those Unjustly Proscuted Beltind the kon Cartain, and she fought and fought spalo, even in defest, for the retention of Mailins and Evensong and the mag-nificent and almost miraculous proce of the king James's Bible and the Old Prayer Book, May she rest now and be happy, until ready to hura again, sometime, somewhere, to the battle from which in life she never turned away.

MEMORIAL MASS in thanksulving fo the life and work of Jonathan Gould to be held at St George's Cathedrat. Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 on Friday 18th April at 11 am.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

JENNY DONOVAR would like to trans everyone who kindly donated money for Cancer Research and sent flow-ers for Lawrence James Donovan at his funeral on 3rd Morch at Hither Cann Commission.

his funeral on 3rd March at Hutter.
Creen Cremalorium.
THOMAS D. M. E. M.D. M.R.C.P.
Mrs Thomas wishes to thank everyone for the very ising letters and
messages of sympathy following the
death of her husband on February
28th 1966. He is sorely missed by
family, friends, partner and patients.
Donations if desired to the form of
cheques/postal orders to fund a new
research bed. should be made payable to St Marry's Hospital, Medical
School and sent to Professor H. Dudley, St Marry's Hospital, Praed Street,
Lodon W2 1NY.

#### **OBITUARY**

1955.

and affection of his men. On

active service he could always

communicate his unfailing

confidence and would get a

laugh from troops under the

of Bogawantalawa, Ceylon.

He was educated at Chelten-ham College, the Royal Mili-

ing cricket for the Army and

when it was despatched from

India to Iraq after the Prime

Minister, Rashid Ali, had

seized power in the spring of

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Crete - in a mood to turn their

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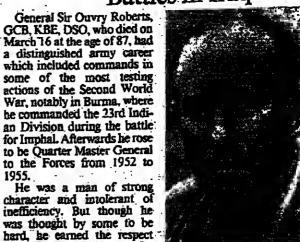
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## GENERAL SIR OUVRY ROBERTS

Battles in Iraq and Burma



Roberts at Imphal

The Air Officer in Charge and Roberts decided that the only hope of saving the situation was to attack. According-Ouvry Lindfield Roberts ly an offensive was begun; the enemy were assailed by every available aircraft, many of was born on April 3, 1898, the son of Hugh Borrer Roberts, them with improvised bomb racks and manned by untrained pilots and pupils from

tary Academy, Woolwich, and King's College, Cambridge. He excelled in games, playthe Flying School. The Iraqi reply - shelling and bombing - inflicted heavy casualties and destroyed a quarter of the aircraft.

hockey for the Army, Cambridge and Wales. Commissioned in the Royal But British air attacks were kept up and, on the ground, patrols under Roberts raided by night to such effect that on Engineers in 1917, he did notsee active service in the First World War, but did in the the fifth day the Iraquis were operations in Afghanistan in compelled to withdraw, Rob-1919, for which he held the erts followed up and in two sharp actions drove them back He was serving on the staff of the 10th Indian Division with heavy loss over the

Euphrates.
The success of the operations was very largely due to Roberts's force of character. In retrospect it seems almost a miracle that the garrison at Habbaniya escaped disaster. His triumph in the face of such heavy odds has been described as one of "measureless impudence".

Rashid Ali made one of the two British air bases, at Hab-Roberts served in the Persia baniva in the desert west of and Iraq Command for the Baghdad, the object of his first remainder of 1941, during which his division took part in The station, which had at its disposal only 2,300 troops and the occupation of Syria and of Persia. He was twice men-80-odd, mainly obsolescent, noned in despatches and aircraft, was overlooked by a awarded the DSO. platean, and it could hardly

After appointment to the command of the 16th Infantry Brigade m Ceylon he was transferred to Burma as BGS however did decide on de- of General Scoones's 4th

In August, 1943, Roberts troops appeared on the pla-teau on April 30 and they were 23rd Indian Division, and, six C. Webster. She died in 1955.

which broke out when the Japanese launched their offensive which was designed to break into India.

The 23rd Indian was one of the divisions of 4th Corps, which defended imphal, the capture of which was vital 10

Japanese strategy. However, though the Japa-nese encircled all the divisions of 4th Corps in Imphal, the troops stood firm in their positions and were supplied by air. After three months of bitter fighting, the Japanese were forced to abandon their objectives and fell back into Burma with heavy casualties.

Roberts's division, heavily engaged throughout, re-mained on the line for a few weeks longer to take part in the beginning of the advance to the Chindwin, after which it was withdrawn to reserve in

In March, 1945, he was appointed Commander of the 34th Indian Army corps which, after the Japanese sur-render, was employed in the reoccupation of Malaya and East Indian islands.

At the end of 1945 he was appointed Vice Adjutant General at the War Office and. after two years in this post, he was GOC Northern Ireland District from 1948 to 1949. He then succeeded General Sir Brian Robertson as GOC m C Southern Command.

In his last appointment, as Quarter Master General to the Forces, it fell to him to make the arrangements for the movement and supply of the forces engaged in the Mau Mau operations in Kenya, the war in Korea, the suppression of the communist guerrillas in Malaya, the early stages of the disturbances in Cyprus, and the disorders in British Guiana in 1953; his term of office

was a busy one. Roberts was ADC General the Queen from 1952 to 1955 and Colonel Commandant, Royal Engineers, from 1952 to 1962. On his retirement from the

Army be was, from 1955 to 1960, President of Grosvenor Laing (BC) Limited (Canada), and held other directorships. He was Administrative Officer of the University of British Columbia 1961-68.

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He married first, in 1924. reinforced to a total of about months later, he was in the and he married in that year a 9,000 men with fifty guns. thick of the herce fighting. Joyce, daughter of Eric Scorer.

was also an invelorate travel-

ler, and, as a representative of

the Colonial Fisheries Adviso-

ry Committee (later the advi-

ory panel to the Ministry of

Overseas Development), vis-

ited many parts of the world in which fishery research was

He was a great populariser of marine biology and wrote a

number of books, the best

known of which are his new

being developed.

#### SIR MAURICE YONGE Yonge was a sympathetic and successful professor. He was also an inveterate travel-

Sir Maurice Yonge, CBE, FRS, FRSE, who died on March 17, aged 86, was one of the most active and experienced marine biologists in Britain and a leading authority on molluses and the biology of coral rects.

Charles Maurice Yonge was educated at Silcoates School, Wakefield, and Edinburgh University, where he was Baxter natural science scholar (1922-24) and Carnegie research scholar (1924-25). In 1925 he joined the staff of

the Plymouth laboratory of the Marine Biological Association for two years, at the end of which he was given a Balfour studentship of Cambridge University to enable him to organize the Great Barrier Reef Expedition of 1928-29.

He returned to Plymouth for a further two years before being appointed Professor of Zoology at Bristol University, where he held the chair from 1933 to 1944. He then moved to Glasgow University as Regius Professor of Zoology where he remained until his retirement in 1964.

In his research on the feeding of molluscs, Youge's special interest was functional morphology. His first publications, in 1926, included his classical account of feeding and digestion in oysters.

His research on molluses

continued throughout his life and he made notable advances in the knowledge of the evolution of the structure of bivalves for which he was awarded the Darwin Medal of the Royal Society in 1968.

#### Birthdays today

Lord Boston of Faversham, QC, 56; Mr Peter Brook, 61; Sir George Fretwell, 86; Mr Michael Heseltine, MP, 53; Mr Antony Hopkins, 65; Professor Sir Joseph Hutchinson, 84; Sir Peter Main, 6t; Baroness Nicol, 63; Lord Oeksey, 57; Mr Geoffiey Pinnington, 67; Sir Brian Shaw, 53; Sir Victor Shepheard, 93; General Sir Frank Simpson, 87; Sir Stanley Tomlinson, 74; Mr Paul Tortelier, 72; Lord Wilson of Langside, QC, 70. Wilson of Langside, QC, 70.

His second great interest resulted from his research on

the Great Barrier Reef in 1928. The expedition which he led there in 1928 at the request of the Great Barrier Recf Committee of Australia was the first in which a team of fully qualified marine scientists undertook a full-ecological survey on a limited area of coral reef. Yonge's experiences on the Reef resulted in his fascinating book, A Year on the Great Barrier Reef.

While at Bristol University he started a series of observa tions on the biology of the Bristol Channel. And on his appointment at Glasgow he immediately took a keen interest in the development of the marine laboratory at Millport on the lale of Cumbrae, in the Clyde, and was president of its governing body, the Scottish Marine Biological Association, for twenty years until 1967.

Royal College of Physicians

Luncheons

F.S. Russell (later Sir Frederick), first published in 1928 and still available in revised and up-to-date editions.

The Downger Duchess of

1927. He died in a prisoner of war camp in Nairobi in 1943.

N Mickerson, Sir Devek Paimer, Mr B Paulit, Sir Michael Perrin, Mr J J Salisso, Sir Eric Shaipe, Mr A Soarks, Dr P J Taylor, Sir Peter Tizzerd, Sir Graham, Michael Sir Richard Young, Dr A M Dawson, Dr D A Pyte, Mr G M G Tibbs, Miss I S Rawkings and Mr P Jackson-Feliden. University College London A luncheon was held at Univer-

Crete University. Sir James Lighthill, provost, presided.

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ANDERSON on March 11th at St George's Hospital SW17 to Paratine and Bill Bullock-Anderson, a second son David William. BERG On March 17th, to Cathy Hahneman) and Marc, a beauti-daughter. Elisabeth Miriam, a

CARPENTER On March 18th at Win-chester, to Jane and Gary, a son James Edward, brother to Rhiannon. ELIS-WELLIAMS On March 13th at Ysbyty Dewi Sant, Bangor to Kate and David a daughter, Lowri Non, a

sister for Hawys. EVANS - On March 19th at Bristol Ma-ternity Hospital. to Liz (Née Morgan) ternity Hospital. to Liz (No and Charles, a third son-

LEWIS to Vermon and Maureen a daughter. Charlotte Helen, on March 19th, at Princess Mary Hospital McGRATTY on 27th February to Peg-gy (née Offit) and Richard 3 daughter

JESSICA HACHEL BLEUL On Merch 18th at St Thomas Hospital. Landon to Kate (nie Alden) and Benile. a son Edward David Charles. a brother for Nicholas.

JOHNSTONE on March 11th to Joanna

#### the Committee at Buckingham

Street, London SW1. Brigadier Clive Robertson

was in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh,

visited the Hammersmith Gypsy Project, London, W10 where Her Royal Highness was received by the Mayor of Hammersmith (Councillor K.

Afterwards The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips visited the Southern Regional Office of the Save the Children Fund and the African Family Advisory Centre, Goldhawk Road, W12. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips. Patroo of the Riding

KENSINGTON PALACE

aitendance.

House.

The Duke of Gloucester travelled io an aircraft of The Bridgend of Teith, Doune,

PATTEMBEN To Gill and Bernard a beautiful daughter. Robyn, born from so much love on March 17th 1986.
REID To Eruma (née Kennaway) and Jardie Reid, a son, Jack, 10,3,86.
SAYER on March 18th at Mouni Alvernia, Guiddord to Richard and Anne use Guidding; a son Benedict Michael, a brother for Charles, Flordiligi, Luke and Tristan. SUDDARTH - On March 17th, at the

wother for Benjamin.
WACE On March 14th to Amanda and
Rupert. a son. Timothy Augustus
Mowbray.

DEATHS

ALDREDGE - On March 17th 1986, in Edinburgh. John Derek, M.B.E., Royal Tank Regiment, loved husband of Ada, Baiado House, Kinrous, Funeral Service at Perth Cremaionium on Monday 24th March at 3.15pm. Family Bowers only and no letters pirese.

ARNOLD Jacqueline, on 16th March, 1996, in her 96th year, much loved Mother of Roy. Noel, Joan and Dorts. Grandmother and greal grandmother. Funeral service at St Nicholas Church Rementain nr. Henley on Thames at 12 noon on Tuesday, 25th March, Flowers to Tomatin and Sons, 48 New Street, Henley. 25th March, Flowers to Tomaim and Sons. 48 New Street, Henley. CLAROUSON. On Thes March 18th Mary Maryot Gordon, late of Spinningdale. West Wittering, and dearly loved Aumi "POP" to all the family. Peacefully at West Beach Nursing Home. Selsey, in her 91st year. Cremation at the Chichester Cremation un wed 26th March at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only.

CROXALL - on March 19th, 1986, at the Evelyn Hospital, Cambridge, Harold E., aged 71, of 12 Manor Court. Pinehurst. Grappe Road. Cambridge, beloved husband of Mar-jorie and father of John, Funeral

private.

COOPER - On March 18th 1986, peacefully at Mariey House Nursing Home, Windfrith, Newburgh, Dorset, Thomas Valentine Cooper M.B.B.F., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.R.C.P., beloved husband of Marion, dear guther of Zoé. Janice, Rupert and Valentine and stapitative of Nertity, a loving grandfather and great grandfather, Funeral at Weymouth crematorium on Monday March 24th at 3.00pm. Family flowers only please but donations if desired to The League of Friends of the Dorchester Hospitals. C/O Crassby Funeral Services. 16 Princes Street, Dorchester, Dorset, Tel 0306 62338.

FERNS - on 18th March suddenly but peacefully at home in Winforton. Pe-ter Astley formally of Kerridge. Much leved husband of Ruth. father of John and Rosemary. Funeral ser-vice at Winforton Church on Monday 24th March at 2.15 p.m. fol-lowed by cremation at Hereford Monday 24th March at 2.10 p.m. no-towed by cremation at Hereford Crematorium 3.30 p.m. Family flow-ers only, but donations if desired to Ex Serviceptiens Mential Wediars So-ciety c to The Broadway, Wimbledon SW19 IRL Enquiries to D. Stephens Command Temperator. Clifford, Here-

MICHOLAS Tydil Doris of 3 William Orchard Close, Old Headington, Ox-ford, On March 19th. Funeral Directors. Clifford. Here-lordshire. Telephone Clifford 356. MAYTER on March 17 after a long ill-ness Alison Lady Hayter widow of 2nd Lord Hayter, Cremation Purpay Vale March 24th at 2.50. Family flowers only. Donations welcomed by British Heart Foundation. OPPENNEUM Priscilla Georgine on March 13th. 1986, at White Cross Hospital. Isle of Wight, younger daughter of the late Lieut. Colonel and Mrs Augustus Oppenheim, sister of Cruistine West.

PALMER - on March 19th, 1986, peacefully at home, Arthur Anthony John of Wychelde, Burton Road, Bridport, aged 68 yrs, dearly loved husband of Nora, father and grandfather, Funeral at 8t. Mary's Church, Bridport on Tuesday March 28th at 12 noun, followed by private Internett, Family Sowers and donations if dealered to Winterborne Hospital, Dorchester, Enquiries to A. J. Walachy & Sons, Bridport (0308) 23726. Births, Deaths and In Memoriam GMESLETT on 19th March at Stirling Royal Infirmary Audreen Wife of the late Charles Leonard Combied FRCS. and Mother of Crarles and lain. cremation at Falkith Crematorium on Monday 24th March. at 1.30pm. Family flowers only Piease, Donalions, if destred, to the Straincarron Hospice, Denny Stirlingshire.

18669890THAM on Monday, 17th March in an accident Daniel Philip Charles aged 16 years, dearly loved son of Annie and David and brother of Tim. Kate and Ermas. Funeral private. Family Bowers only piease.

LAW On 17th March, beacefully, in the Bernard Sunley Honse, Wolding, Mabet Kamileen, aged 93, widow of John William, much loved and loveling mother of Nolan, Jeanne, Dick and Derek and loved by Eleanor and Dunny her daughters-ba-law. Also much loved grandmother of David. Christopher. Start. Timothy and Andrew, and great grandmother of Charlotte. Amy and Emma. Funeral private. Donations if desired to the R.A.F., Benevolent Fund. 67 Portland Place. London WI.

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John, David and Mantin, and grandfuller of Joanna and Charlotte.
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ABOUT 200 PEOPLE attended on March 1st a Service at the Parish Church of East Rougie for Wittshire in Memory of Mrs. Hyschithe Susan Scammell. Of a courage that probably could not be damated and certainty never was, she had a love and afficity for children and animals, and she had the gift of companions; she was a sind person. As an artist, she had an outstanding talent. Site was a sensitive and extensive and extensive

naturalist series, The Sea Shore (1949), and Oysters (1960); British Marine Life (1944), written in collaboration with J. Barrett; and The Seas, in collaboration with

Yonge served on the Advi-sory Committee on Fishery Research to the Development Commission from 1937 to 1956, which coordinated marine research in the United Kingdom. When the function was taken over in 1965 by the Natural Environment Research Council, Yonge became one of its first members.

Aosta, widow of the third Duke of Aosta, who surrendered Italian forces in Ethiopia to the British in 1941, has died, aged 79, in Sorrento. She was Anne Hélène Marie, daughter of Prince Jean of France, Duke of Guise, and she married the Duke of Aosta, her first cousin, in

The President of the Royal College of Physicians, Sir Raymond Hoffenberg, gave a luncheon for the friends of the college and members of the college committee verterday at sity College London on Wednesday, March 19, in bonour of Professor G.M. Sifakis, Fellow of the College and Rector of appeal committee yesterday at the college. Among those present were:

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## THE ARTS

Television

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The second episode of *Voices* (Channel 4) presented Charles
Taylor and Ernest Gellner and at once set up a dichotomybetween their "tender" and
"tough" attitudes towards
what is generally described as
"modern life". The professors
seemed quite happy to play
their respective roles but even
in this most abstract of discussions. as in the Nixon/Kon-

sions, as in the Nixon/Ken-medy debates, any under-standing of the argument was perceptibly modified by the appearance and manner of the person who was putting it. Professor Taylor looked like a cool and self-possessed New Englander, a more refined version of George Bush; Professor Gellner was more querulous and impassioned, with a gertain Quilp-like air. No doubt the andience responded according to faste, but this appearance and manner of the according to taste, but this particular viewer found Gellner more convincing.

Even the production seemed to recognize the visual dimension of the discussion by cutting away from one speaker in order to present the reac tions of the other, and no doubt the backdrop, which resem-bles a carpet from a motel room, is designed as a way of rendering less stark the puta-tive rigour of the debate. The presenter, Michael Ignatieff, tries to add a warmer tone also, with an attractive fin de siècle academicism; he must try to avoid; however, that terrible phrase now employed by anyone trying to add sobri-sty or thoughtfuiness to even the most mane comment, "it

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seems to be that ...".

Programmes of this kind are always interesting, although it is not necessarily a good idea to put up against each other two academics of starkly opposing views: it is by no means clear that they will do anything other than repeat with more and more emphasis their previously adopted positions. Channel 4 is not operating in fourth-century Athens, in any case, and the protagonists' conversations have not so far en of the same quality as their written words. Their discourse (to adopt one of the the programme) tends to be discontinuous, generalized and inconclusive. Conversation is not an adequate medium for the kind of argument to which this programme aspires. And televised conversation (which immediately become a form of

performance) even less so.

Cinema

# Seeming Enjoyable acting in the most unlikely contexts

At odds with the KGR: Mikhail Baryshnikov between Isabella Rossellini, recalling the young Ingrid Bergmann, and the mischievously shrewd Jerzy Skolimowski in White Nights

White Nights (PG) Odeon Leicester Square

Return of the Living Dead (18) Prince Charles

**ICA** 

White Nights stoutly defends American ideals and way of life against the infernal machinations of the Reds. To its credit is also starts off with a couple of good scenes. In the first of these, before the credits, Mikhail Baryshnikov, partnered by Florence Faire, performs Roland Petit's Le Jeune Homme et la mort in an interpretation a good deal more acrobatic than Jean Babilée's original. In the succeeding scene there is an alarmingly well staged 747 crash. Patriotic to a fault, the film declines to associate America with a crashing aircraft, which is attributed to a fictitious airline called "British Orient" and crewed by Englishaccented personnel.

After the crash the plot gets going and the film is never the same again. The Tokyo-bound plane comes down in Siberia. Aboard is Baryshnikov in a blatant piece of type-casting as a Ukrainian dancing star who defected to the West eight years earlier. Injured he is snatched by the KGB, who intend to hide him until the moment they will stage his return to the Kirov as a propaganda stunt. For no very good reason, he is committed mance) even less so.

Peter Ackroyd

to the custody of an opposite number, a tap-dancing black American defector (Gregory Hines) who hopes by

this little service to earn a better deal than singing Porgy and Bess in salt-mine canteens. Naturally, while Baryshnikov learns respect for Hines's tapping, Hines comes to see the folly of his ways. The ending is

The writer James Goldman is an experienced Hollywood professional, but his script is full of parrative holes; as improbable in diplomatic as in dramatic terms; given to long, expository speeches; and with embarrassingly obvious lines like "But vy are ve speakink Russian?" to extricate the picture from subtitles.

It is a pity it ends up so stupid. The idea has possibilities, Taylor Hackford's staging, mostly on Finnish locations (though Lisbon's San Carlos Theatre stands in for the Kirov), is convincing; and the acting is enjoy-able. Baryshnikov improves with every performance; Isabella Rossellini, as Hines's wife, is like a more human Nastassia Kinski, and in looks recalls the young Ingrid Bergman, her mother. The emigré Polish director Jerzy Skolimowski turns to acting with a mischievously shrewd portrait of a smooth, merciless KGB man.

Death is the greatest taboo of an age which has no longer the confidence in an after-life that reassured our grandparents; but the way that films deal with the taboo and our terrors has changed. Two decades ago, death in films was sweet and graceful if it came through age or sickness; or swift and clean if it took place violently at the front or on the prairie. Then the special effects people (inspired, as it happens, by Kurosawa's historical pictures) learnt to make blood jet out from severed arteries or bullet-holes. After that it seemed that film-makers tried to exorcise the death taboo by facing fear head-on, showing us every. detail of carnal decay. Creatures used

to return from the grave with distant decorum. Now they come with eyes dropping out and the grey flesh

rotting on the bones.

Dan O'Bannon, John Carpenter's associate on his first film, Dark Star, and writer of Alien, turns the style to Grand Guignol horror-comic in his first film as director, Return of the Living Dead. Death has no mystery for the main characters, a mortuary attendant who works overtime on his blue charges and a medical supplies merchant who deals in skeletons from India, sectional dead dogs and corpses from undisclosed wholesale

It is thanks to some obscure Pentagon experiment that the occu-pants of the cemetery across the way break out of their graves to go marauding in quest of fresh human brains, which are apparently a sovereign tonic when you are dead. The film has its funny moments ("Send more cops!" croaks an old corpse into the radio of a police car whose occupants' skulls he has already emptied) but runs out of ideas about halfway. The denouement is swift and sure: the army nukes the lot,

It is hard to advise whether A.K. should be seen before or after Ran. Either way, the impact of Akira Kurosawa's masterpiece is in no way impaired by Chris Marker's impressionist documentary about its making. However close it brings us to Kurosawa and the way he works, the ultimate mystery of how an artist creates remains. Marker reveals that Kurosawa rehearses his actors so perfectly that a single take is usually caough. This is possible only because the ultimate result, the finished film, is already so clear in Kurosawa's head and vision. As he works with his actors he knows in advance every move and intonation he wants from them. He stands watching, bent attentively forward, hands on knees; and we see each whole performance mirrored in his face.

For ten hours a day this mighty septuagenarian trundles about on the cindery slopes of Mount Fuji, watching and controlling everything. His confidence is such that there is rarely hurry or ill temper. If an actor must be corrected, it is done with exquisite courtesy. He only finds it necessary to rebuke his people for inattention, for "dawdling" or for letting their own nerviness disturb the horses, which Kurosawa evidently regards no less than the human actors.

Not that rebuke is often needed. Kurosawa is like a monarch or a general, adored and unquestioned. Close around him are his "seven samurai", collaborators on many previous films and almost as old as he s himself, but the younger members of the crew are as dedicated, each one ready to lend a hand in any task, however humble, that will forward the work. We have a thrilling view of an artist

who is competely master of his mêtier. Kurosawa is a magician, weaving spells with castles, armies, skies, cameras, smoke, fire; but he is also the practical technician, knowing every trick of the trade and attentive to every detail. Kurosawa himself invented the technique of painting reflectors to provide individual colouring in the lighting of each figure; and he ingeniously turns hazards to his own purposes, even making the capricious Fuji mists serve for battlesmoke. He does not miss a thing: the last words in A.K., when he has just filmed a vast battlescape that fills the borizon, are his concerned enquiry, "Did a horse fall?".

#### Opera

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#### Demons at work

La finta giardiniera Bloomsbury

This Park Lane Opera produc-tion of Mozart's maturest unknown comedy is by no means entirely successful, but that only makes it the more tantalizing. For if La finta giardiniera is so beguiling and fascinating when staged in unrelieved black, and rather boisterously accompanied, heaven knows what impression it might make in a more sympathetic and assured pre-sentation. Surely Glyndebourne cannot long resist the challenge; this is the perfect opera for dressed-up summer

It is, after all, a garden piece, which is why the costumes of woe, hy Paul Dart, and the eometrical shapes of Robert Carsen's production look so obviously wrong. Perhaps the intention is to remind us that the many playful and not so playful love intrigues are founded on an act of violent passion, that there are demons at work beneath all the pretence and self-deception. But of course the point is made with infinitely greater subtlety

by Mozart, even if he was only aged 18 at the time and cocking slightly adolescent, but also extraordinary, snooks at the machinery of the genre.

For example, there is an aria for the Podesta that becomes the excuse for a miniature concerto for orchestra as he mentions all the instruments he hears, and another for the baritone swain, Nardo, parodies the vocal styles of three nations, thereby including a strain of the French pastoral Mozart never wrote. Returning to what he did write, Nicholas Cleobury conducts a willing if unpolished orchestral performance. But it is one with much fine singing from young professionals, particularly Alison Hagley as the sentimental heroine, Anne Mason as the arrogant, feeling Ramiro, and Janis Kelly and John Cashmore as the lively

couple from below stairs.

Most of the characters inevitably seem on the point of blossoming into others better known. Ramiro, for instance, is about to become Cheruhino. But these performances show the work to have an atmosphere and quality of its own. It is well worth catching tonight or tomorrow.

**Paul Griffiths** 

#### Concert

RPO/Ashkenazy Festival Hall

It was the double-bass heartbeats at the end of his solo cantata La Mort de Cléopatre which got Berlioz into so much trouble with the judges at the Académie des Beaux Arts. And it was the same alarmingly stark reiterated notes which set the pulse for Wednesday's performance by essye Norman and the Royal Philarmonic under Vladimir Ashkenazy.

Norman has always made Berlioz's "scène lyrique", in which Cleopatra reflects on meeting her ancestors after her death and dishonour, into a live drama of flesh and blood. Not for her the classic sarcophagus sculpture of a Janet Baker, "Ah! qu'ils sont loin ces jours", which carries the perfumed nostalgia of the Nuits d'été in its harmonies, was brought out of a retrospective mezza-voce into the vivid immediacy of present regret. orchestra could have given the imilarly, the sombre invocatory meditation, "Grands Pharaohs", which is so mirac-David Robinson ulously poised and distanced in time by itself invoking the

spirits of Rameau and Gluck, was whispered urgently in near sprechgesang, wonderful-ly shifting from awe to terror through its modulating repe-

Nothing more robust or less Gallic would do as a context fur this tour de force of imaginative re-creation. Dehussy provided the environment both before and after the interval. At the start, there were the Nocturnes, with an inappropriately corporeal choir of "Sirènes" (the women of the London Symphony Chorus, rather too close for comfort) and, to make up for it, the most ethereal of "Nuages". Ashkenazy achieved a deceptive stillness by concentrating on minutely rhythmic rather than dynamic movement, so that the cor anglais bit through the strings' texture like a hard line of body colour over wash.

At the end, Ashkenazy con-structed La Mer with truly symphonic strength, though there were times when his edge by providing quicker, more sharply defined res-

Hilary Finch

## Video obsessions | Why the

Sigue Sigue Sputnik National Ballroom, Kilburn

It was plain within the first minute that Signe Signe Sput-nik are able to play their instruments at least as well as The Cramps, and much better than, say, The Damned or The Clash when they first per-formed in public. Tony James was, after all, playing bass with Generation X ten years ago and, while his new colleagues may have been select-e con the principle that "it is estier to teach a person to play an instrument than it is to get them to look thin", they have nevertheless learnt enough to

> over a coat-hanger of drilling keyboard patterns, provided by the guesting Yana Yaya, and embroidered with explosive backing-track effects redolent of the noises to be heard in a busy video-game arcade.

To begin with, the effect of their outlandish appearance, combined with the hypnotic Giorgio Moroder disco

<del>O</del> Cannon

But as one song followed the next, with Neal X playing the same Chuck Berry guitar riff and the two drummers, Ray Mayhew and Chris Kavanagh, playing the same metronomic unison beat, the excitement began to pall; although they kept time with implacable precision it was particularly precision, it was particularly disappointing to hear two drummers combining to produce such a weedy sound.

nevertheless seem get by.

Additionally, they have taken advantage of technology both to underpin and adorn their sound. Throughout the brief set, every song was shing over a coat-hanger of drilling over a coat-hanger of drilling in between, they revealed a musical vision at present as one-dimensional as the video one-dimensional as the video screens from which they have drawn so much inspiration. If Tony James can think up one or two different songs, and the group does not cave in from

rhythm and Star Wars sound-track, was compelling enough. Martin Degville, shouting his indecipherable lyrics, looked nothing if not imposing with his huge orange plume of hair and Mad Max coat of ragged

The forthcoming single "21st-Century Boy" sounds little different from the current hit "Love Missile F1-11" which sounded much the

various pressures, they may yet last as long as Adam Ant. **David Sinclair** 

Theatre action stalls

After Aida Old Vic

I thought at the time that Ken Ludwig's Lend Me a Tenor was a remarkable piece of music-thealife but, after Cafe Puccini and now this Verdian indiscretion from Julian Mitchell, it is beginning to look like a masterpiece. Heaven defend the operatic stage from opera enthusiasts.

opera enthusiasts.

In After Aida Mr Mitchell addresses the question of Verdi's 16 years of silence before embarking on the two masterpieces of his old age. It is a subject rich in musical, personal and political potential. Perhaps too much for a single play, and it would be unfair to quarrel with Mr Mitchell's decision to limit himself simply to examining himself simply to examining how the 73-year-old composer was coaxed back into writing

What kills the enterprise is the idea of setting the action in the stalls of an empty theatre where episodes from Verdi's career are interspersed with operatic extracts. There is no

CHELSEA-CINEMA



Long obsessive wail of resentment: Richard Griffiths and Gemma Jones as Verdi and his wife

dramatic situation. The setting is merely a playground where speakers can address us with memories, team up for brief scenes and rehearsals, and fall into the background when the members of the Welsh National Opera come on to do their bit. There are no exits. When not performing, company members reteat to the stalls to read newspapers or sit looking bored: a sight that leaves you wondering why you should be interested in a spectcle they cannot be bothered to look at.

Worse is in store when it comes to character. Richard Griffiths comes forward to deliver his opening self-portrait as the composer. In a show designed for operatic innocents, you might suppose that there would be some reference to Verdi's heroic nationalism, and his place as a larger-than-life figure in the cultural risorgimento. But instead we get a long obsessive wail about the idiot critics and resentment at Wagner breathing down his neck. As he also lays stress on his peasant

origins, you might also expect him to say something about the farming to which he gave so much of his life after Aida. Verdi was allegedly a successful farmer. But Mr Mitchell passes over this as of no importance, and leaves a picture of piqued artistic vanity skulking in its tent. The rest of the casting in

Howard Davies's production is well up to that of the central performance. Gemma Jones, in fringed black silk and ropes of pearls, plays Verdi's wife; Ian Charleson plays his master librettist, Boito. Giulio Ricordi is overbearingly embodied by Malcolm Storry. It is sad to see performers of that quality trying to make some-thing of the flimsy material Mr Mitchell puts their way.

Miss Jones is mainly restricted to icily matriarchial narratives, disclosing how much she has had to put up with. Mr Storry, in alliance with Verdi's conductor, spends the evening devising little stratagems to entice the house of Ricordi's greatest money-spinner back to his desk. Mr Charleson sets the tone for Boito by coming downstage with a silver-topped cane and breaking into a vaudeville version of "La donna è mobile". Thereafter he goes through the show in a

condition of frenzied exasperation, spitting out excuses for having failed to finish the iob, and sometimes pursued through the stalls by Ricordi and Faccio in the style of a Mack Sennett film. The effect throughout is to reduce the events to that of

Hollywood biography. As the story fails to include the obligatory midway disaster, much is made of Verdi's reluctance to join in the enterprise, with many a little scene showing him briefly bolding court and then shambling back to his lair. Come the second act and we find dialogue like "lago should have a song — a Credo" and,

hey presto, all composition problems are solved. After the opening of *Otello* poor Verdi is left to reflect "even after the writing there is the casting, the rehearsals", as though he had never been through the process before.

Musically, the show offers some fine, full-blooded singing and an accompanist of extreme resource and technique in Martin Andre. Looked at as a piece of musical appreciation rather than a theatrical event, there is something to be said for the production; if it were not for the dialogue.

Irving Wardle

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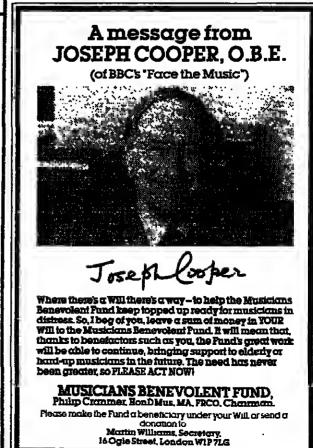
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# prepares big Militant purge

By Anthony Bevins, Political Corresponden

ers are drawing up plans for a concerted national purge of Militant supporters, with direct help for local loyalists who want to tackle Trotskvist the infillralion in

constituencies. Encouraged by Mr Neil Kinnock's agreement 10 a Labour national executive "show trial" of a dozen Liverpool Militant supporters oo March 26, the right-wingers are determined to follow through with an appeal for grassroots action against the "Militaot menace".

The Labour leader and Mr Larry Whitty, the party's general secretary, are adamantly opposed to any general purge. and party beadquarters will therefore not become

But the difficulty for those coostituency party members who are hostile to Militant is that they are oo match for the Trotskvist machine.

Cardiff South and Penarth, Mr James Callaghan's constituency, is said to have been forced to reinstate three acknowledged Militant supporters, after their expulsioo in December, because of a technical legal challenge to the procedures used.

Leading Labour right-wingers are responding by drawing up detailed procedures to be followed io expulsioo cases, and they are considering setting up a special fund to indemnify parties for the costs of legal challenges by Militant

#### Tendency turns to the courts

Because of Militant's increasing teodency to turn to the "capitalist courts" backed up by their formidable national resources - Labour's national executive has been asked to bail out parties faced with heavy legal costs, but it is most unlikely that the party leadership would sanction

Many party members - and they are by no means confined to the right-wing - believe that if this month's attack on

Leading Labour right-wing- the Merseyside Militants is not followed through at a local level, then the tide of Trotskyist infiltration will continue to

> There is a feeling that unless further action is taken, Liverpool expulsions will be a cosmetic exercise

Up to the time of the last Labour conference it had been reported that only Is local Militaol supporters had been expelled by constituency par-ties, with another 15 facing expulsion.

#### NEC vulnerable to challenges It is estimated that fewer

thao 50 have been thrown out of the party since the national executive took action against the five Militant leaders in

While local parties have expelled Militant supporters for selling Militant, proof of actual membership is difficult, if only because the tendency denies the existence of an organizatioo. Legal challenge is therefore an easy option for the Trotskyists.

Even Labour's national executive is vulnerable to litiga-tion, as Mr Whitty conceded at last month's executive meeting.

In a clear hint of the grounds for possible legal action Militant says that no evideoce had been furnished and that while some "charges" had been laid against the Liverpool 12 because of abuses and breaches of party rules by district Labour Party officers and executive committee members, it was a mystery" that some officers had been charged and others Mr John Hamilton, leader

of the council and the District Labour Party treasurer, had not been charged; Ms Felicity Dowling, a councillor and DLP secretary, had been charged. One vice-president of the DLP, Mr Terry Harrison, had been charged; another vice-president, Mr Eddie Loyden, Labour MP for Liverpool Garston, had not been

# Labour Right | Total eclipse for observatory



Times past: The Greenwich Observatory





Times present: Herstmonceux Castle, above, home of the Royal Greenwich Observatory which is to be closed. Times future: Mauna Kea in Hawaii, right, including the 150-inch UK infrared telescope in the foreground.

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The Royal Greenwich Observatory is to be closed and Herstmonceux Castle, the headquarters bousing its archives, sold. The likely fate is for the castle and grounds, once the telescope domes have gone, is to be bought as a hotel or country-club for a golf

The decision to sell was announced yesterday by Professor William Mitchell, chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council. Permission is needed from the Treasury, which

owns the castle. But that approval is regarded as a formality.

More than four years ago the group under Sir Derek Rayner, advising the Government on ways to cut spending, suggested the sale of the fifteenth-century moated castle. But that recommendation: did not necessarily mean closure of the site.

The Royal Greenwich Observatory, by far the oldest scientific establishment in Britain, was founded by Charles II in 1675 at Greenwich Park in London. The move to its site at Herstmonceux, in East Sussex, was made in 1948 to get away from the beavily polluted air of London, which hampered observing.

The castle houses the single most important collection of papers in any scientific archive. A public exhibition at the castle attracted more than 60,000 visitors a year.

Behind the decision lies the fact that large ground-based tele-scopes built by Britain are being constructed on the mountain tops at La Palma, in the Canaries, and Mauna Kea in Hawaii.

#### Letter from Jaffna

## Peninsula where the rebels rule

In the late evening earlier this week the sleepy town of Jaffna was shaken awake by a loud explosion. The dugs barked for half an hour afterwards and two rifle shots kept them going. "What was that?" I telephoned a friend on that side of rown to ask Local security," he said. By that he meant the local

sentries of the militant vouth groups, who are fighting 2 separatist campaign to try to establish a Tamil dominated state in the north and east of the Sri Lankan island republic. They watch the gates of the military camps housing the armed forces of the Government, and if anyone road "the boys" start throwing grenades and shooting.

On the outskirts of another camp across the peninsula near Pallaly the next morning, a series of vehement explosions and a steady rattle of automatic fire kept up for almost an hour.

We sent out an adminis trative convoy," said an army captain, "and it came across some mining. We had one man wounded in the

Later reports from the National Security Ministry said that a terrorist had also been killed Along the coast in Velvettithurai belicopters reinforced the beleaguered garrison with black-unformed men, said by the locals to be soldiers trained incounter-insurgency work in Pakistan. There were regular exchanges of fire as the new arrivals tried with probing patrols to see how vigilant the local security was.

Though the armed forces had moved out all those who lived within 200 yards of their perimeter, the militants also "advised" local inhabitants to move out of their. homes which were even fur-

"I have become an internal refusee, said Professor A. Sivathamby, a former member of the official ceaseline monitoring committee, who moved with his wife and family to camp on his broth-

All over the Jaffna penin-

lated of the Tanta areas of the country, the militants have sentry positions outside the camps to try to keep the troops of the Sci Lankan Army bottled up inside. They have largely succeeded, and though the Government & pays the civil servants, and takes responsibility for education and such mad-mend

ing as gets done, the control is in the hands of the militants They are like "Rahim" a commander with the Liberation Tigers of Tannil Lelan who is still a teenager but who wields a silver coloured Col 45 automatic loaded with so much as steps out on to the hollow-nosed bullets. "We see that everything function smoothly," he told me.

Rahim speaks of che the Army out of the Jaffa that already whenever the military come out of their camps we chase them bak In the meantime, though the militant gunmen are more popular than they were

they are not everybody's cup of tea "My firm lost its van to the boys," one young business-man complained. "I see it around the place occasional ly, but I can't get it back."

"I drive this old car." professional man adminer indicating his 1950s Ford Prefect, which along with ancient Austin Somersets and Morris Minors still decorates the roads. "If I drove my other car I would soon lose

Some movements do compel people to give funds." Rahim admitted: "But for us people volunteer. We asked the people to belo financially. Shops, everyone gave,

Rahim is adamant howe er that the large-scale robberies and killings which mane the early period of tebel control will not be allowed to continue. "There was a robbery recently in the Pallaly Road and one of our sentner raised the alarm. We chased them as far as the Nandan temple before they got away.

#### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE Roads

#### Today's events

Royal engagements

The Oueen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, opens the Wigan Pier Development, Wigan, 9.50; and then visits the Centre, 11.25, and the Greater Manchester Police Communica-tions and Computer Complex, 12.50.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, visits HRH Princess Christian's Hospital, Windsor, 4.30; and later attends a reception at the Guildhall, Windsor,

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1 Hawker's Car Elevator at

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9 Milton's blind fury (sic)

pears out of place (7).

11 The Wild Goose forms part

of this - some yarn! (5).

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dition - one that needs to

15 Bridge player has a con-

20 Sees "term" as a sort of defi-

you found in Germany (5).

27 Cat's swell, receiving com-

28 Leg-wear a prophet shows

29 In which truth is momen-

1 State supports first form providing such education (9).

2 Jane takes one in a bird's

3 Old parrot inviting another bird to pay a call (8).

tarily revealed (9).

12 Teacher's beginning

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whose variegated skin ap-

New Exhibitions

Modern British Art 1880-1950; Michael Parkin Fine Art Ltd. 11 Motcomb St. SW1; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 1 (ends April 18).

Paintings by Andrew Mans-field; Anthony Reynolds Gallery, 37 Cowper St, EC2; Tues to Sat 11 to 6 (ends April 20) Alfred Gilbert: Sculptor of Eros; Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, W1; Mon to Sun 10

to 6 (ends June 29). Paintings by Susan Arnold Christiane Dupont-Nangle, David Iredale, Mary Jackson and Andrew King, The Wykeham Galleries, High Street, Galleries, High Street, Stockbridge, Hants: Tues to Sat 10 to 5 (ends May 3):

4 Whitefriars sanctuary

5 Destiny with which king is

name of a dog! (8).

a countryman (5).

set of science meaningful (9).

gether, say (9).

monsters (R).

form (6).

Concise Crossword, page 10

16 Stuffing at police get-to

18 We raise a hardy annual

21 German coding machine

Retaliation for damage to a

spire accepted by both sides

perhaps among legendary

complaint (6).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,999

Profit by Design: Scottish Design Centre, 72 St Vincent St, Glasgow; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 4.55, Sat 9 to 4.55 (ends April

Exhibition in progress The Art of Living, Chelsea Gardener, 125 Sydney St, Chel-

sea, today and tomorrow 10.30 Music The London Sinfonietta's sec-

ond Response Weekend: an experiment in music making; Bookspace, today 8, tomorrow 11 to 10, Sun 11 to 10; Concert by the BBC Symphony Or-chestra, 7.30; Royal Festival Hall South Bank, SE1. Concert by the New Sym-

from the Coldstream Guards; Barbican Hall, EC2, 7.45.

Marylebone Rd, NW1, 7.30. Recital by Ishani Bhoola (vi-olin) and Stephen Betteridge (piano); The Pump Room, Bath

Talks, lectures

don Wail, EC2, 1.10.

Cross, SE14, 7.45.
Book collecting and 14th July Wales Hotel, Town End, Gras-mere, Ambleside, 9.15.

Soho Spring Bazaar, Soho Parish Schoo, 23 Great Wind-mill St, W1, 6.30 to 10. 1986 Camden Festival; for details telephone: 01-388 1394. 7 His income derived from an eccentric aunt with tin? (9). Servitude imposed on many Times can change with onscience that's

Top Films

presenting game in new amids of Fear 6 (3) A Chorus Line 7 (7) Back to the Future 23 Where plate-layers work on 22 Beetle, namely, on a horse 8 (4) Commando 9 (5) Spies Like Us 10 (-) Echo Park 24 Name of a Spanisb article you found in Germany (5). 23 Such courage shown by a man of spirit (5).

26 One trying to catch child's 25 Neck shows singular scar horse, pressed by Miss Oak- (5). 2 Commando 3 Jesus 4 Rocky IV 5 Death Wish III Solution to puzzle Nn 16,998 Supplied by Screen Interneti

Top video rentals

**Ghostbusters** Gremlins Beverly Hills Cop The Holcroft Covenant

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#### Food prices

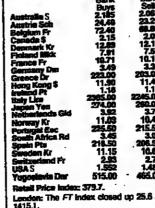
Home produced spring lamb, a seasonal treat, is only likely to be found at present in a few specialist shops. Harrods, for example, have leg at £2.75 a lb, shoulder at £1.50 and loio chops at £3.50. These prices compare favourably with those of old seasoo stocks in supermarkets which range from about £2.16-£2.58 for leg and £1.28-£1.70 for

Beef is a good buy this week with reductions on many cuts; topside £1.89-£2.34 a lb, forerib rosst £1.19-£2.34 and strion rosst £1.19-£1.68, and strion steak £2.85-£3.76. Pork prices may be slightly op, but it is still good value; whole leg ranges from \$5p-£1.20 a lb, loin chops £1.25-£1.50 and boneless should der 96p-£1.45.

Home grown vegetable prices have changed very little considering the improvement in weather conditions. Brussels sprouts at 35-45p a lb are slightly dearer but the price of a 30-45p. Onions 10-20p a lb. carrots 16-23p, parsnips 25-35p. leeks 50-70p, primo cabbage 20 25p, and swede 15-20p, are all similar to last week, Imported vegetables such as broccoli 90p-£120 a lb, mange tout £1.50-

£2.00 a lb. Round lettuce is a best buy a 20-28p a head; Iceburg lettuce 55-75p per head, celery 30-40p a expensive.

The pound



Parliament today

private Member's motion on

was a possibility of further values are possibility of further values are possibility of further values and controllers. strikes by pilots and controllers around the busy Easter period. national service youth training

The North: Aft Delays (off peak) on the London road, Gir Manchester, in Hazel Grove, A1 (Mr. Contraflow to the S of Dartington, Mit Contraflow to the S of Dartington, Mit Contragoway repairs with lane closures between jurcition 31 (Preston) and 32 (MSS/Blackpool).

Scottand, ABC Southbound inside lane closed at the Heggs junction to Castlectry; extreme care required. M74: Northbound inside lane closed (24 hours) between junction 3 and 4, Strathchyde. Information standard for AA

Births: Johann Sebastian Bach, Eisenbach, Germany, 1685; Jean-Baptiste Fourier,

mathematician, Auxerre, France, 1768. Heiny Kirke

White, poetaster, Nottingham, 1785; Benito Juarez, president of Mexico 1861-72, San Pablo, Guelatao, Mexico, 1806; Albert Chevalier, music hall entertainer, London, 1861.

Deaths: Thomas Cramer, Archbishop of Canterbury,

1533-56, burned at the stake, Oxford, 1556. James Ussher,

Archbishop of Armagh, Reigate, Surrey, 1656; Jean-Baptiste

Grenze, painter, Paris, 1805; Robert Southey, Keswick, Cum-

Italian airline pilots will stor

work tomorrow from 9am until

9pm, preventing the departure of most Alitalia and ATI flights

from Italian airports, union

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Italian air strike

officials said yesterday.

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Anniversaries

**Snow Reports** Solden FRANCE Alpe d'Huez Isola 2000 260 Megeve 30 Poor visibility, good powder 20 170 Heavy snow on lower slopes Tignes 1/3 200 Good cover on all slopes SWITZERLAND

## Weather

London and South-east: A24: Long delays at peak periods at Clapham Common South Side at the junction with Narbonne Ave. A322: Roadsworks on Bracknell Rd. Bagshot, could cause considerable delays for traffic heating lowards Guildford, A12: Delays apprecining Chelmstord because of roadworks at the function with the A1018 Westwey, Wildford. A weak ridge of high pressure will move E across Britain, frontal troughs following into the W later.

6 am to midnight

East Anglis, Hidlands, Channel Islands: Mainly dry, sunny Intervals; wind W moderate or tresh; saxx

The Midlands: MS: Roadworks con-flue to the W of Birmingham between Dudley (sunction 2) and halesowen (sunc-tion 3); northbound treffic restricted to hard shoulder and inside lane; south-bound traffic restricted to inside and middle lanes. A46: Delays in the course of Strafford near the Welcombe Hotel, A425: Roadworks are causing delays in Warwick on the Skriningham Rd. wind W moderate or fresh, max temp 11C (52F).

E. central N. NE England Becoming mainly dry and brighter; wind W fresh or strong; max temp 10C (50F).

SW England, S Waleschlainly dry, sunny intervals; cloudier later perhaps with some rain or drizzie; wind when the SW fresh max temp 12C. Wates and West Ass. Long delays at Conway Bridge and the Llanducho junction. Aft Several sets of temporary traffic lights at various locations between Nantoawedig and Nerberth. A472/A75: Temporary lights at the junction of Crumin.

(54F).

N. Water, NW England, Lake District, is to of MancBecoming brighter and drier, perhaps isolated showers, but further can or drizzle showers, but further can or drizzle. showers, but further rain or drozen after darfc wind W backing SW fresh or strong; max temp 10C (50F). Borders, Edinburgh, Durdee, Aberdeen, Morrey Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shettend:Becoming brighter, and making dry. wind W fresh or strong; max temp 2C (48F). SW, NW. Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyl, Northam Ireland/Seconting: brighter with scattered showers, more persistent rain or drizzle later; wind W backing SW strong to gale force; max temp

day: Unsettled with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, but also some brighter drier intertudes. brighter Some Windy.

Lighting-up time

Yesterday

Abroad

High Tides

**Around Britain** 

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Michael Hamlyn

phony Orchestra, John Bate Choir and Fanfare Trumpeters

Organ recital by James Dal-ton; German Christ Church, Montpelier Place, SW7, 7.30. Concert by the Repertory Orchestra: works by Delius, Mahler and Stravinsky; Royal Academy of Music, Duke's Hall,

Concert by Chetham's School of Music; New Theatre, Oswestry College, 7.30.

Discomfort, Danger and Death: The painful history of theatre regulations, by John Earle: Museum of London, Lon-The world's first commuter

railway, by Ronald Thomas, Deptford Town Hall, New A revolutionary theme? by Sir William Rees-Mogg, Prince of

General Book Fair, Royal Baths Harrogate, today, 2 to 8, tomor row to to 5.

The 62nd Chelsea Antiques Fair; Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Rd, SW3, today II to 7.30, IOMOTTOW II to 6.

Out of Africa Clockwise Jagged Edge Ran 5 (-) Yng Sherlock Holmes

The top films in the provinces

1 Out of Africa

Police Academy 2: Their 1st Assignment Rambo: First Blood 2 Mask

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial.

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

Doubts surface about

There was a resounding cheer from

almost all quarters of the City when

the Chancellor, Nigel Lawson, un-

veiled the outlines of his new

Personal Equity Plan in the budget.

Despite the Stock Echange's

indifferfent record in interesting the

general public in its wares there is

almost universal agreement among

market professionals that wider share

ownership is, in principle, a Good

to emerge over questions of practicality. As the Chancellor's proposals stand, any adult will have the option

of managing his own PEP or of

paying someone else to do it for bim.

Since the huge majority of people the

scheme is aimed at have not invested

in the stock market before most will

probably seek out an expert to handle

Traditionally, stockbrokers have shied away from large numbers of small client accounts because of the expense of administering them. That

attitude, aided by advances in tech-

nology which make administration

cheaper, has been changing over the last year. A broker such as Phillips &

Drew, which recently set up its own

licenced deposit taking operation, should be in a ideal position to

convert people's cash into equities as

the PEP rules require. While some

brokers may now be better able than

before to handle small accounts they

still have a lot of work to do in

learning how to market shares out-

Banks and building societies are

more obvious institutions to offer

management services to the public, Clearing banks and those merchant

banks with active personal invest-

ment management operations should

embrace the opportunity with enthu-

siasm. Building societies are more of

an enigma. It is not clear whether they will qualify as plan managers or

registered securities dealers would be

able to act as plan managers in the

Societies will therefore include this

Bill's attitude to pension fund

management. At present it allows

societies to administer pension funds

but not to manage them - exactly the

frustrating postition they could find

Unit trusts will also be trying to

change the terms of the PEP rules so

far laid out, since at present they

would be excluded as investment

vehicles for the scheme. Even if they

fail in getting the rules changed there

is nothing to prevent unit trust

companies setting up seperate PEP

themselves in with PEPs.

ue in their attempts to change the

side the City.

their investment for them.

But the doubts have already begun

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## FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

#### STOCK MARKET FT 30 Share 1415.1 (+25.6) FT-SE 100 1690.1 (+30.3) USM (Datastream) THE POUND

US dollar 1.4880 (+0.0098) W German mark 3:3540 (+0.0098)

Trade-weighted 75.3 (+0.5)

#### £70m City scheme

The Hammerson Group is to develop a £70 million office scheme in the City of London with Taisei Corporation, ooe of Japan's leading companies.
It is Taisei's first British venture and highlights the emergence of the Japanese as a new and growing force in the British property market. Hammerson and Taisei

have bought the 80,000 sq ft Riverplate House in Finsbury Circus from Electricity Supply Nominees, the pension fund for the electricity industry, for £20 million. The two are equal

Riverplate House will be redeveloped with about 100,000 sq ft of space. British Telecom is the tenant there. and its lease, which expires in 1988, will have to be bought out before the developers can begin work.

#### Opec rejects adjournment

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The Organization of Petro-Icum Exporting Countries has rejected a proposal that it should adjourn its meeting in Geneva and reconvene in London, after a call from Kuwait that pressure on Britain to co-operate in cutting oilpurput should continue, David Young writes from Gene-

#### Tate stake

Tate & Lyle has increased its stake in S&W Berisford, which owns British Sugar, to 6.4 per cent. Tate fears that its business could be damaged by a takeover of British Sugar by Ferruzzi, the Italian group.

#### T&N ahead

Turner & Newall, the automotive and construction materials company, made pretax profits of £39.6 million last year, up from £27.5 million on a comparable basis. Turnover rose from £520 million to £535 million and the dividend is doubled to 5p.

#### Tempus, page 19

Park victory Harvard Securities has conceded victory to Park Place in the battle for control of United Computer and Technology. Park's offer has become unconditional, with acceptances for 56.2 per cent of the capital.

#### **BET** deal

BET has extended the operations of its specialist waste management company, Biffa, with the acquisition of the Southampton operation of Bath Waste Disposal Services, a subsidiary of CH Beazer, in a

#### £625,000 deal. Insurer down

Legal & General, the life and general insurance company, made pretax profits of £31.5 million last year, a decline of 34.5 per cent. The dividend was raised by 14 per cent to 24.5 per cent and a

#### two-for-one scrip issue pro-posed. Tempus, page 19

Bigger stake Buckmaster & Moore, the stockbroker, said yesterday that the 29.9 per cent held in it by Credit Suisse, the Swiss bank, is being increased to 85 per cent on April 14.

STOCK MARKETS

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**GOLD** 

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

London Fixing: AM \$350.50 pm-\$350.65 close \$350.50-351.00 (£235.25-

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MARKET SUMMARY

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New York: 2: \$1.4880

# Shares push record to 1,415 as pound touches \$1.50

Share prices contioued their sharp upward adjustment to the post-oil era for the British economy yesterday, with another strong across-the-board rise. The pound's strength encouraged hopes of more base rate cuts, while mortgage rate reductions and the Budget tax cuts have boosted consum-

er sector prospects.

There is evidence that, with the risk of a sharp sterling fall. now regarded as much lower than it was over the winter, foreign buyers are moving in to the London market in a big

way. The Financial Times industrial ordinary share index rose by 25.6 poiots to a new high of 1415.1, breaking through the 1400 barrier effortlessly. The wider FT-SE index rose by 30.3 points to 1690.1.

The rise added £4.2 billion to share values, according to calculations by Datastream, the City information service. In the past three days, £10.3 billion has been added to

Britoil yesterday advised its

employees that staff cuts of 10

per cent will be required by the end of this year. From a total of 2,700 employees, 250 to 300

will go.
About 150 jobs will be lost
in the company's headquarters
in Glasgow and 100 in Aber-

staff numbers will be achieved by not replacing those who leave.

Barratt

profits

rebuilt

By Our City Staff

Barratt Developments, the

housebuilder whose fortunes

were adversely affected by two

television programmes which

criticized timber-frame hous-

ing and starter homes, showed

an 85 per cent recovery in

pretax profits to £7.5 million

in the six months to December

The company is building

fewer homes - 4,350 comple-tions in the first half com-pared with 6,250 - but is

making more money through

reducing its debt and changing

Barratt estimates it will

schieve its objective of build-

ing 70 per cent higher margin, second homes by the end of

this calendar year. Its new Premier Collection of £20,000

to £500,000 bouses, which

started to sell last September,

has been well received, ac

cording to Sir Lawrie Barratt,

the chairman. Mrs Margaret

Thatcher was one of the first

The average selling price of a Barratt home rose to £35,000

in the first half and should

the more prosperous South-

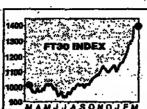
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its range of houses.

in Glasgow and 100 in Aberdeen. The petroleum engineering and exploration departments will bear the brunt of the cutbacks and they will be spread over both clerical and professional staff.

The need to reduce numbers was blamed on failing oil prices. The company hopes that much of the reduction in staff numbers will be achieved million barrels the circ of a



The pound opened strongly yesterday on post-Budget optimism and hopes of a production agreement by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, meeting Geneva. In early trading, the pound broke through the \$1.50 barrier, reaching

It later succumbed to profit-German mark, the pound rose a pfennig to Dm3.3544. The sterling index rose 0.5 points to 75.3.

**Britoil blames 10% staff** 

cut on falling oil prices

By Our City Staff

However, a lack of job opportunities could reduce the

rate of staff turnover. The

normal rate of turnover in Britoil has been more than 10

per cent in past years, but this has fallen, due possibly to reduced recruitment by other

companies who find them-

ing at an annual rate of 70 million barrels, the size of a small North Sea oil field.

The bad news was delivered

Mr Paul Hamlyn has bought back Hamlyn Publish-

ing, the book publishing com-

pany he started in 1949 and

which made him a millionaire

when he sold out to the IPC

publishing group for £2.25 million in 1964.

fast-growing publishing group which he set up in 1971,

announced yesterday that it

was paying a nominal sum to

buy Hamlyn Publishing from

"I've had my eyes on it for some time and we first talked

about it three years ago", said

Mr Hamlyn, who will once

again have the right to his

The Court of Appeal yester-day turned down Rank Organisation's attempt to overturn the Independent

Broadcasting Authority's veto

of its £751 million bid for

Granada Group.

The legal setback leaves the House of Lords as Rank's last

recourse, unless it can find a way round the IBA's objections. Mr Michael Gifford,

chief executive of Rank, has

present owners of IPC.

Reed International, the £200,000.

Octopus Publishing, the

Hamlyn imprint

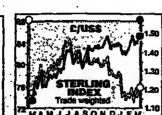
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eponymous impriot. "I origitook over last year. The shares

Court setback for Rank

By Our City Staff

nally started the company gained 35p to 670p.



the new mood of optimism in the London financial markets. the London financial markets.
Cash is flowing across the exchanges into both gilts and equities. Gilt edged stocks were up by around 4 points at the long end yesterday.

Mr Michael Howell, portfo-

lio strategist at L Messel & Co, the stockbroker, said that the sharp rise in share prices was taking, because of the lack of due to improved dividend ao Opec agreement, but still prospects, coupled with gener-posted a gain of 1.08 cents to ous cover, and overseas inter-\$1.4880. Against the West German mark, the pound rose bank and insurance shares.

According to Mr Kenneth Inglis, equities specialist at Phillips & Drew, another stockbroker: "The message The strength of the pound stockbroker: "The message appears to be closely linked to appears to have sunk in that

with the preliminary results for the year to last December. Profit for the year was £188 million, 11 per cent ahead of 1984 and in line with the forecast made at the time of the Government's last share selected the transparent.

sale in the summer.
There is a final dividend of

There is a final dividend or 9p per share giving a total of 13p for the year, a 13 per cent increase on last year.

At the end of last year, cash resources were equal to loans giving zero net debt. This position has largely been maintained in the first 2½ months of 1986, but cash

months of 1986, but cash resources will be run down this

year in the absence of a recovery in the oil price.

with £350 which was left to me

The market capitalization

of Octopus is now £350 mil-

lion and Mr Hamlyn, who is

chairman, owns 40 per cent of

Hamlyn Publishing which

has assets worth £11.5 million

less £10 million of borrowings.

Turnover is more than £20

million but the company is

not presently profitable, un-like in 1964 when it made

Octopus yesterday reported pretax profits of £20.4 million

for 1985, up from £13.5 million including Heinemann,

the former BTR subsidiary it

Rank withdrew its bid on

Wednesday because of the

costs of underwriting and the

problems presented by the IBA. Underwriting costs are estimated at about £8 million.

In addition Rank, advised

by Morgan Grenfell, has

bought 8 per cent of Granada

by my grandfather."

the shares.

Tempes, page 19

the Chancelior has left scope for falling interest rates, and a lot of fund managers have got cash to put into the market". Yesterday, in response to the pound's early rise, money market rates fell back sharply.

to a level of around 11 per cent for the three-month interbank rate. Later they rose slightly 10 around 114 per cent with money market traders saying that a further half point could come off base rates

immediately.

However, there is little likelihood of the Bank of England
permitting another reduction
so soon after Wednesday's. although the outlook is for lower base rates.

#### £4.3m sale

Westminster Press, a Pear-soo subsidiary, has agreed to sell Bedford County Press and Northern Press for £4.3 million to companies set up by Mr John Barrons and Mr Peter Fowler, both formerly of Westminster Press.

# Dee pays

Mr Alec Monk's Dee Corporation, the aggressive super-market chain, is paying £278 million for Herman's Sporting Goods, the largest retailer of its kind in the United States. This effectively ends any

speculation.

Asked whether Woolworth

Herman's has 131 stores selling a range of sports equip-ment - from golf balls to skiwear. The company earned profits last year of £21 million, with just over half its £283



goods, such as athletic shoes and outerwear.

company in exchange for 125 million new shares which will be placed at 265p each against a market price yester-day of 283p. Dee's existing shareholders will be entitled to subscribe for 47 per cent of the Dee, best known in this

The sports goods market in

ated in the North-east and Middle West, have been row-

# £278m for **US** group

lingeriog hopes that Dee might be thinking of bidding for Woolworth, whose shares have risen sharply on takeover

was now a dead duck, Mr Dee said last night: "It was oever a

The Building Societies Bill, now approaching the report stage in Parliament, will allow societies to act in the disposal of shares and investments" - in other words, to act purely as brokers. But the Chancellor said in his budget speech that only million sales being in soft



Alec Monk: Dee unlikely to bid for Woolworth

The deal is being done through through a tender offer of \$35.25 dollars a share. W.R.

Grace, the big chemicals group, is accepting the offer for its 56 per cent stake. The tender offer is being made through a subsidiary of Lazards, thee merchant bank. Afterwards Dee will buy that

country for its Galeway, Lencons and MacMarkets stores, has been keen to create

a new business io the U S for

the U S is estimated to be worth around £9,000 millioo a

at a cost of around £58 million. It has obtained permission from the Takeover Panel to rebid for Granada in 21 days, but only if the IBA's The Herman's outlets, situ-

#### immediate prospect of this. ing at 15 per cent a year. Gramm-Rudman measures

sary to reduce the \$200 billion

INTEREST RATES Bank Base: 11 %% 3-month Interbenk 115-a-11 %% 3-month eligible bills:1021-2-10%% Federal Funds 7%% 3-month Treesury Bills 5.48-6.46% 30-year bonds 114<sup>13</sup> e-114<sup>27</sup>s2

From Bailey Morris, Washington floor next week, said that because of large sectoral drastic measures were neces-

But unless the economy picks up steam in this quarter, the deficit reduction efforts may be for nothing. Commerce Department officials announced on Wednesday that the growth rate in the final quarter of 1985 was revised downward to 0.7 per cent from 1.2 per cent because of an mexpected sharp rise in the

US trade deficit On a current account basis, including trade and services, the deficit was a record \$36.5 billion in the fourth quarter and \$117.6 billion for all of

grow faster in this quarter, released next month they

sharp fourth quarter downturn

might reduce first quarter The effects of the collapse in oil price and the drop in the dollar, which has plummeted against the yen to as low as 174.30, has not yet made a favourable impact on the US

tion of continuing weakness 1985, the department says.

Although most economists Although the increase was an expect the US economy to aberration, caused in part by had weather which reduced when the numbers they are hiring in some industries, it could show below 1 per cent the gains made last year in growth for a second quarter reducing unemployment.

Lawson equity plan There are other doubts. City experts question how economic it would ever be to manage private share accounts where the maximum monthly investment is a mere £200. During last year's debate over portable pensions big insurance compa-nies concluded that they could not hope to offer small pension schemes at an economic rate if the State Earnings Related Scheme were abolished. The problem with the PEP is of

a similar nature.
Others object that people simply do not save money in the way Mr Lawson appears to think they do. The building societies's experience, for example, is that most people save very intermittently, depositing sums of over £10,000 at a time — well over the annual £2,400 limit allowed under the PEP proposals. And are the tax breaks in scheme really big enough to attract the multititude?

Many believe not, partly because there is no relief on the initial investment, partly because tax reliefs on capital gains are already generous enough to make the reliefs in a PEP look rather insignificant.

#### **BES** loophole

Amendments to the Business Expansion Scheme outlined in the Budget would open the door for farming and property development schemes which were banned in earlier budgets. This cannot be the Chancellor's intention.

In response to widespread criticism - not least in this column - of the way in which the BES had deteriorated into a tax haven for investors in search of safe, asset-backed investment, Mr Lawson has introduced a rule that no BES company can have more than half its net assets in land and buildings. Given such a rule, there would no longer be any logic in excluding farming or property development ventures. Highlygeared property development compa-nies, it would appear, would be welcome under the new BES regime.

While one can sympathize with the difficulty of introducing any general test to curb asset-backed ventures apparently the Inland Revenue has been struggling to come up with a satisfactory definition of "asset backing" - the proposals would pave the way for yet more incestuous dealings involving directors and sponsors of BES companies. They would be able, it seems, to hold land and buildings in a separate company and lease them

to the BES company. The Chancellor is keen to foster a climate of risktaking, leaving investors to take their chances in the market place, discriminating between risk and rip off. While caveat emptor is certainly suitable for the BES investor, it is surely possible to stimulate enterprise and risktaking

without creating opportunites for rip-

offs to flourish.

#### in the first half and should reach £40,000 by June, against an average of £32,000 in 1984-85. Obtaining suitable building land is still a big problem, Sir Lawrie said, but the land bank was maintained at 2½ years worth. Barratt is increasingly looking for land in the more proposerous Southsaid the company was pursu-ing a number of ideas to try objections are overcome. There appears to be little and overcome the IBA's Weak US growth threatens

The United States economy is growing at such a weak rate

— 0.7 per cent in the final quarter of 1985 - that Congress may be forced to abandon the tortoons deficit-reduction methods required under the Gramm-Radman-

Hollings balanced budget law.
A little noticed provision of the law states that if the economy grows at a rate of less than 1 per cent for two consecutive quarters, Congress must reconsider the mandatory budget cuts neces-

(£138 billion) deficit. Economists raised the issue yesterday after a vote by the Republican controlled Senate Budget Committee to defy President Reagan and approve a new budget for fiscal 1987 which slashes his defence build-up and contains an \$18.7 billion tax increase. The Senate panel, in promising to send the bipartisan budget to the

troublespots in farming, mansary to reduce the soaring deficit. member of the US Council of Economic Advisers, said the

Indeed, the surprisingly sharp rise in the February memployment rate to 7.3 per cent from 6.7 per cent the mouth before was an indica-



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STOCK MARKET REPORT

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# Tough decisions ahead for Britoil chiefs

Government was selling the will have to be made. One of second tranche of Britoil these decisions will be about shares, the company said, in next year's dividend, connection with its profits Keeping to its in forecast in the prospectus for made at the time it was sold, the six months to December Britoil is recommending a 9p the six months to December 1985, that each £1 change in the oil price would mean a difference of £5 million to £8 extends for 1985 of 13p. On forecast moome of under £100 extends for the company of the million in net income for the million or 20p per share, the half year. This would be equivalent to approximately £10 million in a full year.

If 1986 oil prices remain at their £10 a barrel level, this . able to further upheavals in implies a £90 million drop in net income from the 1985 result of £188 million report-

The most obvious line of attack for any exploration company needing to trim spending to match diminished cash flows is to cut the exploration budget. Britoil intends to reduce its budget by 40 per cent, or £100 million. Offsetting this to some extent, the spending on the V gas fields will mean that its development spendingwill

go up.

- Cutting overheads is also high on Britoil's list of priorities. Initial plans to cut claim-handling facility, ha staffing levels by 10 per cent in Glasgow and Aberdeen will not make any difference to costs until 1987 because any savings in 1986 will be eaten up by severance payments.

Perhaps optimistically, Britoil hopes to rely on natural wastage to achieve much of its target of 250 to 300 fewer staff. While staff turnover has been 10 per cent or more in past years, it has been much less than this

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This is no doubt because the industry problems which cause pain to Britoil willresult in the extinction of some of its less robust breth-. some of its less robust breth- have now been sorted out, ren. Job opportunities for and £500,000 in losses from those who would otherwise leave are thereby reduced, indeed, there could be a glut of experienced oil personnel, a grim contrast to the last 15

million of British tax losses

remains to boost the im-

proved UK results expected

for this year. The shares look

Legal & General

Legal & General surprised the

market with disappointing 1985 results. The shares lost

27p to 757p but recovered to close unchanged at 784p.

Pretax profits fell 34.5 per

cent to £31.5 million, al-though the effect on the

bottom line was reduced to a 15.7 per cent fall after tax and

extraordinary credits worth

The damage was caused by

a severe worsening of general insurance. The three main

factors were bad weather

losses in Britain, which con-

tributed to an underwriting loss of £26 million compared

£18 million from the reinsur

ance subsidary Victory, which necessitated boosting its capital by £10 million, and

finally a need to strengthen reserves in the United States

by \$10 million (£7.5 million).

The life and pensions busi-ness, by contrast, was encour-

aging with underlying growth

in net profits of 15 per cent. In the US Banner Life saw 100 per cent growth in new business. Profits in sterling

terms were, however, 32 per

cent down because of a £2.5

million currency loss and the

initial cost of the new

This year should show

strong recovery. The insur-ance industry is turning the corner, although Legal seems

to be taking longer than some

abolition in the Budget of the lifetime charge on gifts is not

helpful. Legal is the market

leader in schemes to ge

round such forms of capital

fits is still awaited a yield of

4.4 per cent, a 25 per cent

premium to the market, should underpin the shares.

While the recovery in pro-

On the long-term side, the

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Keeping to its intention

cover is 1.5 times.

The current yield of 10 per cent is not under immediate threat, but it remains vulnerthe oil market.

Turner & Newall

inevitably, it is the £13 million turnaround in asbestos claims rather than Turner & Newall's trading performance which grabs the head-lines — and more than explains the jump in pretax profits from £27.5 million to £39.6 million.

The £8 million exceptional insurance recovery received last year, together with £3 million saved through taking part in the Wellington joint claim-handling facility, has meant the dividend payout can double and still be cov-

Nevertheless, with the underlying cost of asbestos claims still above £7 million a year, profits progress in 1986 - assuming no more excep-tional payouts - will depend on trading making up the difference.

Last year operating profits actually fell from £50 million to £48.6 million but this was after a £4 million adverse swing from African currency movements. There were also trading problems in India and North America which, the newly acquired Beral which should be eliminated in 1986.

Up 16p to 203p, the shares are now selling at 7/2 times . A. rigorous cost cutting historic earnings and offer a programme will be needed yield of 3.5 per cent. As a

#### Schroder's profits rise 17%

By Richard Thomson **Banking Correspondent** 

J Henry Schroder Wagg, the merchant bank, yesterday revealed an increase in after tax profits of 17.6 per cent for last year. The group's corporate finance and investment management activities produced record results.

Disclosed operating profits after tax and loan interest amounted to £13 million last year, compared with £11.1 million in 1984. However, the overall result was boosted by extraordinary items of nearly £13 million, taking total dis-closed profits to £29.2 million, compared with £15.1 million the year before.

Mr George Mallinckrodt the executive chairman, said it had been an outstanding year for the bank's corporate finance and investment management divisions worldwide,

#### **Prudential** purchase

The Prudential Corporation, Britain's largest life company, has bought Pearsons, the Hampshire residential and commercial estate ageot, for an undisclosed sum.

It is the Prudential's second acquisition of a residential estate agency. The insurance company bought Ekins, Dilley & Handley last year. The Prudeonal aims to

achieve national coverage in its residential estate agency operations and is likely to make a large purchase, probably in the order of £100 million, in the next few weeks.

The acquisitions are being made under the banner of Prodential Property Services. A novel feature of the Prudential's service is that it breaks the notorious "chain" involved in home buying and selling by purchasing a house so the seller is free to buy.

equities to new peaks The stock market surged

again yesterday as iovestors continued to recognize the profit potential for companies after the Budget, lower interest rates and the bright outlook for i oflation. After pausing for breath mid-session, share prices soared to close at a record 1415.1, up 25.6, on the FT 30-share lodex. The FT-SE gained 30.3 at 1690.1.

higher at 175p. Some dealers were forecasting another cut in base rates before Easter as sterling held firm against other leading currencies. Government securities climbed another two points in early trading before trimming the gains by around half a point during the afternoon. All conity sectors shared in

the buoyancy hut banks, stores, leisure and huildings were well to the fore. Company trading statements brought additional cheer and the only gloomy faces were those of stock jobbers who are being squeezed as stock becomes increasingly short in supply.
In the high street GUS climbed 40p to 959p, Burton

Group 12p to 350p and Marks and Spencer op to 21 op. Only Laura Ashley resisted the trend down 5p to 224p over-shadowed by the new Ameri-EQUITIES Abbott M V (180p) can Depositary Receipt tax. Ashley (L) (135p) BPP (160p) Recent newcomer Wellcome Brookmount (160p) was another 8p lower at 210p Brookment | 93 up 1 Chart FL (86p) 93 up 1 Chancery Secs (63p) 80 up 1 Conv 9% A 2000 £28³a up 1 for a similar reason.

Buildings scored many double figure gains with Tarmac Cranswick M (95p) 107 another 12p firmer at 486p. Dialene (128p) 200 Barratt Developments, which disappointed dealers with profits well below expectations held steady at 152p. Jarvis Porter (105p) 140 Klearfold (118p) 120 dn 3 advertising revenue boosted

Breweries advanced behind the lead of Bass at 800p up 17p while good results sup-ported Boddingtons 5p better at 114p. Electricals shook off Wednesday's doldrums with STC up 12p to 130p on recovery and hid hopes. Carpet shares made further progress with Tomkinsons 25p

Brokers' recommendations for banks were oumerous. Midland climbed 30p to 554p and National Westminster 48p to 935p. Life insurances were dull at first still upset by the threat of competition from the Government's Personal Equity Plan. Legal & General dropped to 767p after a 35 per cent decline in profits but later rallied to 779p down 5p as huvers returned during the afternoon.

Prodential, which has expanded into estate agents with the purchase of Pearson of Windsor, reversed an initial 15p fall at 894p. Buoyant discount houses featured Union Discount at 733p up

trend and encouraging AGM statement on Wednesday.

Oils were pervous awaiting production cut news from the Opec meeting in Geneva, but closed with a majority of gains. BP added 9p to 580p hut disappointing profits clipped 4p from Britoil at 186p and Ultramar lost 8p to 173p on fading hid hopes.

Of the many companies reporting. Turner & Newall jumped 23p to 210p on the absence of the much-feared rights issue and a better-thanexpected 44 per cent profits increase. Octopus was hoisted 30p to 665p after earnings up by 50 per cent while Reed International improved 13p to 854p on the sale of Hamlyn to Octopus.

In foods. Cadbury Schweppes rose 4p to 185p io anticipation of early news of the sale of the Typhoo subsidiary. Dee Corporation eased 5p to 283p on news of a substantial acquisition io America. Tate & Lyle was marked up 12p to 615p follow-

SAC Intl (100p)

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RECENT ISSUES

acquired over 6 per cent of S&W Berisford Beecham added 13p to 378p on further reaction to the reorganization

Among other leaders, British Telecom rallied 7p to 226p while Gnest Keeo & Nettlefolds at 364p, Hawker Siddeley at 613p and Vickers at 468p were engineers to

P&O with results next Tuesday gained 28p to 556p. British Aerospace, reporting on the same day, was lifted 18p to 586p. Good results on Wednesday boosted DRG another 13p to 300p. Tobaccos contined to ignore the revenue increases with Imperial Group up 6p to 341p awaiting hid

Smith & Nephew was 13p dearer at 256p following a 27-per cent profit increase. Insurance brokers were overshadowed hy the strength of sterling against the dollar. Willis Faber lost 20p to 424p on further consideration of Wednesday's figures.

In merchant hanks, Schroders jumped 90p to 1578 pence on the results and scrip proposal. Disappointing profits knocked 11p from Blanchards at 120p and 4p from CCF at 114p.

PPL Holdings was wanted at 173p up 15p. A small profits setback due to currency con-siderations left Church & Co down 15p to 320p hut higher profits strengthened Banro at 180p up 12p and Renishaw 12p firmer at 313p.

In mines consortium hid hopes continued to excite Rio Tinto-Zinc at 719p up 37p. Charter Consolidated, overlooked recently, shared a sympathetic increase at 273p up

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52 weeks to 1st March 1986

Turnover (excluding VAT)

Net Interest Received

Net Profit after tax

Earnings per Share

Fully Taxed Earnings per Share

● Turnover increased by 27,25%

● 254 stores now trading

Trading Profit increased by 25.63%

Total for year 5.0p (1985.-4.2p)

Own label products 30% of turnover

tages adjusted for a 52 week period)

Proposed final dividend of 3.0p (interim 2.0p)

43 new branches opened including 3 in Scotland

A most exciting and rewarding year, both in terms of

profitability and future opportunities. Our new 200,000

sq. ft. Northern Regional Distribution Centre opened on

time, and began servicing 50 stores in the North of the

country in September. The development cost a total of

Final Dividends

Net Profit before tax

Trading Profit

Taxation

#### · ARMSTRONG EQUIP-

COMPANY NEWS

• ARMSTRONG EQUIP-MENT: The directors say they have considerable confidence in the future, and have raised the interimi dividend to 0.75p (0.3). Figures in £000 for half year ended December 31. Pretax pft 3,310 (1.512), Earnings per share 5.86p (2.44).

STRONG & FISHER (HOLDINGS): Results for six months to December 27. Interim dividend 3p (2.5). Figures in £000. Pretax profit 2,101 (1,945). Board says the second half has started well and substantial orders have been taken in all export markets. All taken in all export markets. All divisions are trading profitably and board expects the final ontcome for the financial year to be ahead of last year. • RENTOKIL GROUP: Final

1.55p, making 2.44p (2.125) for 1985. Figures in £000. Group profit before tax 26.041 (24,751). Earnings per share 7.89p (7.35). Board views future with confidence and expects better profit growth this year. • GESTETNER HOLDINGS: Company is concentrating on consolidating the results of work carried out and has made full provision in the 1985 accounts for the forecast costs of restructuring manufacturing in Britain. Restructuring continues

on schedule.

• EQUITY FINANCE TRUST HOLDINGS: Company has merged its associate company, Interpid Oil with Petromark Resources, an oil and gas corporation based in

Oaklahoma.

JONES & SHIPMAN; Divi-● JONES & SHIPMAN; Dividend 2.7p (1.75), making 3.85p (2.75p). Figures in £000. Profit before tax 2.124 (1.069).

● MACALLAN-GLENLIVET: Final 2.34p. making 3.34p (2.9) for 1985. Figures in £000. Pretax profit 719 (745). Profit after tax 632 (666). Earnings per share 10.67p (11.23).

● TSW - TELEVISION SOUTH WEST HOLDINGS.

SOUTH WEST HOLDINGS: Interim 0.64p (0.55). Results for six months to January 31. Figures in £000. Profit before Iax 1,016 (836).

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e GEORGE H SCHOLES: Interim 8p (6) to reduce disparity. This should not be taken as an indication of increased total. Results for half year to December 31. Figures in £000, Pretax profit 2,446 (2,217). Earnings per share 23p (19.7). There has been an executaring start to the been an encouraging start to the second half.

THE GERMAN SECURI-TIES INVESTMENT TRUST: Net profit after tax for period November 15, 1985 to February 8, £11,569. Company believe there are good prospects for continuing growth in the underlying asset value of its shares.

• GALLIFORD: Heads of reement for the accusition of General Plumbing and Roofing Services, of London, have been

JOVE INVESTMENT TRUST: Second interim 2.85p (2.69), making 5.35p (5) for year to February 28. Figures in £000. Pretax net revenue 1088 (1043). Tax 328 (309).

• KEYWEST INVEST-MENTS: logerim 3.125 cents per share (1.875 adjusted). Pro-tax profits for half year to December 31, \$11.15 million (\$6.29 million).

(FENTON): Final 2.3p (2), making 2.7p (2.4) for 1985. Figures in £000. Profit before tax 642 (541). Earnings per share 11.4p (8). Sales and production to date in 1986 are higher than

## THE LEGAL & GENERAL OUTLOOK

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Klearfold (118p)

# A brighter outlook after an unsettled year.

The past year has presented insurance companies with their fair share of problems, and we are no exception.

But our confidence in the underlying financial strength and quality of our business is well reflected in this year's final dividend and bonus share issue, though we do have to report a disappointing level of shareholders' profit

#### **UKOperations**

While the volume of new business growth in life insurance did not compare with the outstandingly successful years of '83 and '84, we have maintained our existing share in the conventional house purchase market. Insured group pensions achieved very satisfactory levels of new business growth.

The general insurance underwriting results, however, were poor. But premium income developed well ahead of our forecasts, and at potentially profitable levels.

#### International Operations

All our international operating companies showed very good new business growth. In particular, our strenuous efforts to increase the scale of our US life operations have been reflected in excellent new business figures. However, there have been heavy reinsurance losses and the strengthening of Sterling has had an adverse effect on the life results.

#### Investment Management

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A full commitment by the high street banks to the Government's loan guarantee scheme (LGS) has from time to time been called into question. However, in the wake of the Budget it looks likely that the banks will throw their full weight behind the relaunched scheme announced by the Chancellor.

They at any rate are pleased the Government is now committed for three years to the scheme. At National Westminster, Andrew Lloyd, the small business section manager, said: "This is a major step forward as far as marketing by the banks is concerned. We have always been a strong supporter of the scheme but the cost, latterly, has been against it. It will now be more attractive. We shall, I am sure, be encouraging our branch managers to increase their awareness of the scheme," he said.

At Barclays Bank, which also claims to be a long-time supporter of the scheme, Peter Clark, manager of the small business unit, believes there will now be a gradual build-up in usage of the

The failure rate of businesses using the scheme, at nne time one in three nr worse, is no longer a bugbear at any rate for Barclays. Recently the bank has experienced a failure rate in the region of only 5 per cent.

One problem Barclays is still trying to iron out with the Government is bringing the scheme's documentation into line with the Consumer Credit Act. Until this is cleared up, loans of less than £15.000 are unavailable at Barclays under the scheme.

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Not all banks take the same view. Average loans under the scheme are about £30,000 anyway, which is wby some in banking believe the £75,000 loans ceiling kept for the new scheme still gives sufficient beadroom.

Interest premiums paid over and above the going rate for bank loans will now be halved compared with the past 20 months. The premium is 2.5 per cent

BRIEFING

Few managers in small businesses do anything about

company training even though they realise it is essential in maximising productivity and profits, according to a survey.

The upshot, announced yesterday by Bryan Nicholson, the MSC chairman, is a six-month campaign by the MSC to demanstrate to small firms how training pays off. Locally

out today, carried out for the Manpower Services Commission. Businesses with fewer than 25 workers ware surveyed and

less than 40 per cent had carried out any training in the previous 12 months. Four out of five employees had received no

practical advice will be given on how to secure effective training. There are grants evailable. Contact M Faam, Room W825,

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■ Another attempt to tackle the perennial problem of the small business principal who ideally needs every management skill is *The Business Analayst*. A self-assessment approach

PARSOLANDS TO THE PARSON OF TH businesses have bad over securing funds by releasing an equity stake in what they regard very much as their own creation seems to be easing, according to the Peat Marwick report on the Business Expansion Scheme.

The report came out on Budget day as the Chancellor conferred an unlimited life on the scheme, tightening it up for asset-backed ventures while also extending it. Bringing some ship chartering within its scope is aimed at helping small businesses because it is typically the owner skipper which is involved in coastal chartering.

The BES has made companies more aware of equity financing and helped make the entrepreneur more willing to release a stake of equity in a business, said Peat Marwick, one of Britain's biggest accountants and consultants. Investors are also more interested in unquoted companies.

But it found there had been a trend towards larger and so possibly less risky investments. It also confirmed that BES funds typically do not invest below £150,000. The report said: "There may still be gaps in the equity market. Our study indicates that it is difficult to raise BES finance over £50,000 directly." It had in mind financing by a collection of individuals rather than a fund.

One development which might help narrow the equity gap below £150,000 has been community based initiatives to introduce individual investors to local small businesses. Peat Marwick foresees a small but nevertheless important role

for these initiatives.

In a sample of 120 companies some 17 per cent had ceased trading after about 18 months. Many of the companies interviewed were financially unsophisticated, according to the report. Patently more small businesses should see advice on how better to run their business. There are plenty of places to go for that from the local enterprise agency to the Government's small firms service and its corps of counsellors.

to business planning is incorporated. There is an audit sheet for 41 different topics in the areas of management, marketing and finance. At £45 it comes in a looseleaf binder from McGraw Hill, Shoppenhangers Road, Maldenhead, Berks SL6 2QL (tel: Maldenhead 23432).

A £10,000 award scheme to benefit small businesses has been launched by Gallaher, Britain's second largest tobacco manufacturer. It is aimed at businesses with 50 employees or less in Northern Ireland, one of Gallaher's manufacturing bases, and will single out outstanding examples of business devalopment. The winner will be expected to invest the prize monay in the business. A company's strong commitment to a local community will be one factor takan into account. Contact: Gallaher Business Challenge, Po Box 9, Newtownabbey.

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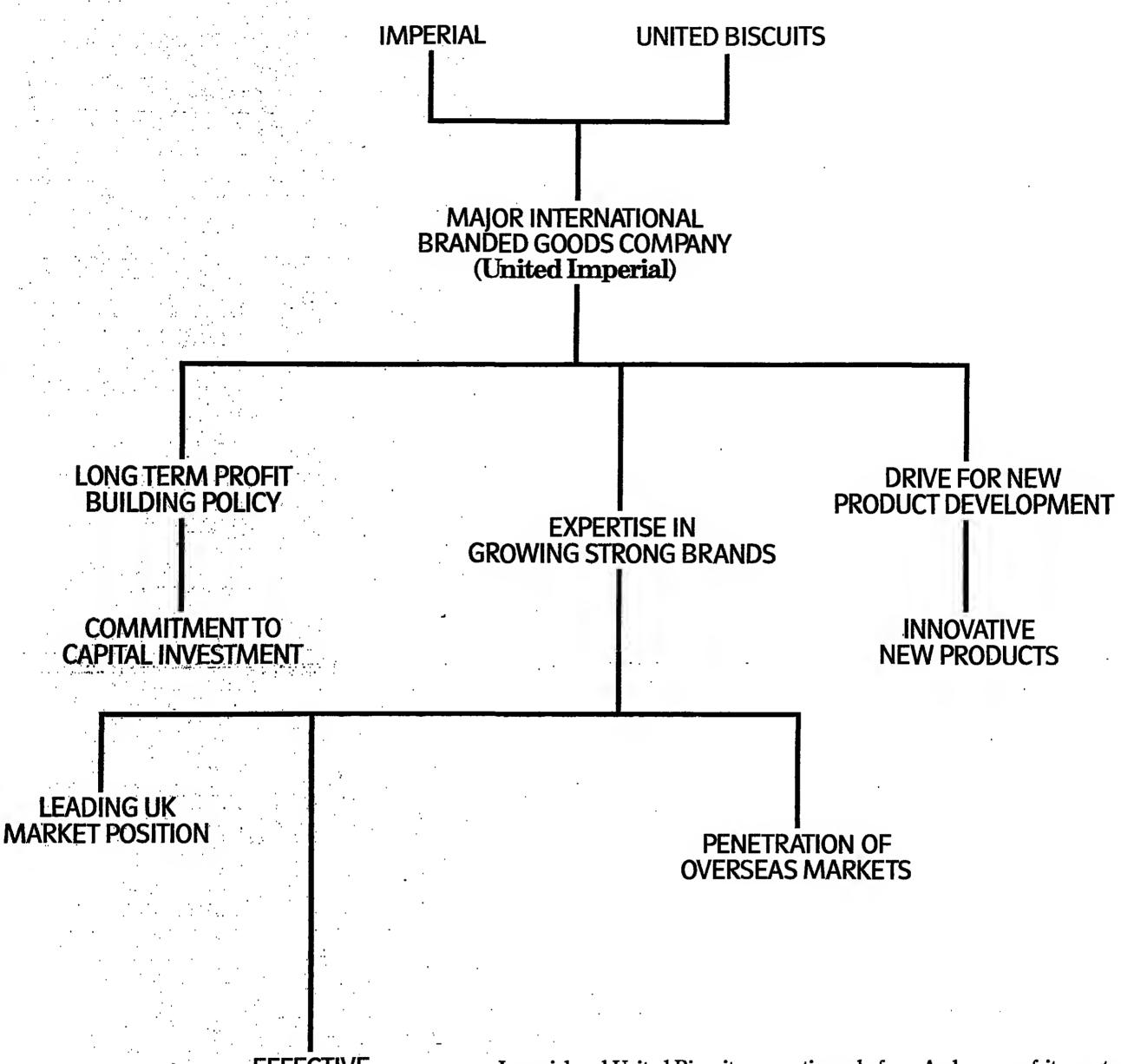
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Retained profit for year	3,458	3.440
Earnings per share	26.3p	24.3p

The ligures for the year ended 31 December 1985 have been extracted from the full accounts which have not yet been reported on by the company's auditors and have not been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

- Turnover increased by 8.4%.
- Profit before taxation increased by 18.0%.
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By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

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million) at current prices. Pricing would be in dollars, with a minimum movement of one cent. The contract could be traded for the current month and for six months ahead. All cootracts would be adjusted for margin each day and cleared through the Inter-national Commodities Clearing House.

It is stressed that discussions are at an early stage. But if it were introduced, the new contract would run alongside the IPE's cash settlement Brent cootract. The oew contract, bowever, would dwarf the 1.000 barrel minimum lot of the cash contract, valued at reference.

The loternational Petro- a mere \$14,500. As such, leum Exchange is discussing business would probably be confined to the biggest oil traders.

The IPE, which is based in London and trades a successful gas-oil futures contract, has been disappointed by its lack of progress with a Brent crude oil contract. It needs such a contract to offer traders the opportunity of hedging as much of a barrel of oil as possible

The daisy chain is a system for trading Brent crude by the more or less unregulated buying and selling of contract entitlement to cargoes. It was generally favoured by oil companies over the IPE's cash settlement futures contract.

But the virtual collapse of the daisy chaio last mooth amid a welter of huge debts and lawsuits, including antitrust actions against some of the majors, has caused a change in attitude.

From the oil companies' viewpoint, the advantages of an IPE contract are the clear contract, a guaranteed clear-ing, reasonable liquidity, and the possibility of establishing arm's length prices for tax

#### GEC wins £250m role in China power plant

signed a letter of intent to supply conventional equipment for China's first major nuclear plaot, at Daya Bay in the southern province of Guangdong a British Embasy spokesman said here yester-

The letter was signed oo Wednesday in the Shenzheo Special Economic Zone, bordering Hnng Kong, by GEC and the Chinese partner, the Guangdong Noclear Power Joint Venture Company - a Sino-Hong Kong joiot

company.
The embassy spokesman said he did not know the finaocial terms of the letter but said it provided for GEC

Peking (AFP) - GEC has to supply turbines for the gned a letter of intent to plant, which is to have two 980-megawatt reactors. The deal is generally believed to be worth about £250 million.

The signing ended seveo years of negotiations on the project between China, France and Britain, and came after the signing oo March 12 of a letter of intent by the French companies Framatome and Electricité de France (EDF) to supply nuclear reactors and engineering services for the

A final contract is to be signed in September.

The lengthy negotiations were adjourned several times, with cost the main stumbling

#### APPOINTMENTS Three new directors for Reed

Reed International: Mr P J Davis has become deputy chief executive, and is to join the board Mr P H Burns and Mr R Segel will also become

directors.

Abbey Life Assurance: Mr Chris Evans has been named as an executive director, product development department. European Single Service Association: Mr Malcolm J Macpherson has been made

president Tyne Tees Television: Mrs Diana Eccles has joined the

Mann Egerion and Compa-ny. Mr Richard Martin is to be chief executive. He will succeed Mr Jim Campbell, who is to retire but will remain as non-executive chairman. Inbucoo Computer Person-

nel Selection and Inbucon Contract Services: Mr Stephen Peerless has become managing director.
Securicor: Mr Derek
Hardisty is to become manag-

ing director of Securicor Robophone. Mr Terry Spencer and Mr Gerry Stapley have been named as directors of Securicor Granley.
First Computer: Mr Mark

Scott has been made financial director.

GM Health Care: Mr W T Stead has become managing director.

Davy Corporation: Sir Rea-ald Halstead joins the board as a non-executive director, and Mr Peter L Waite and Mr Roger T Kingdon are to be-come executive directors. DAKS Simpsoo Group: Mr John J Cohen is to join the

board as a non-executive Robert Fleming & Co. Mr

Ian Ellison has been made a director. Henry Ansbacher Holdings: Mr Albert Dondelinger and Mr Nicholas Samuelson have

joined the board. Mr Samuelsoo is to become executive chairman of Seascope Insurance Holdings. Pentagram Group: Mr Nev-

ille Sandelson has been appoioted a noo-executive director.

Greene, Belfield-Smith & Co: Mr Graham Wason has been made an associate partner of the company and a director of the company.

#### COMPANY NEWS

PEARSON: Final dividend 5.75p. making 10p (8.5p. adjusted) for 1985. Turnover £970.1 million (£843.2 million). Pretax profit £109.3 million (£99.4 million). Extraordinary profit £11.5 million (£6.7 mil-lion). Earnings per share before extraordinary items 30p (28.9p

o CENTRAL INDEPENDENT TELEVISION: Final dividend 10p. making 12.5p (10.5p) for 1985, payable May 30. Turnover £165,046,000 (£152,203,000). Pretax profit £11,856,000 (£10,047,000). Profit after tax £6,594,000 (£6,067,000). Earnings per share 26.3p (24.3p). Central's share of 26.3p (24.3p). Central's share of total ITV net advertising revenue increased from 14.2 per cent to 14.3 per cent. The board is considering enfranchising non-voting shares and applying for full listing of Central shares, which would require approval by shareholders, the IBA and the Stock Exchange.

LWT (HOLDINGS): Results for 26 weeks to January 26. Interim dividend 5.685p (5.1683p), turnover £73,808,000 (£83,790,000), profit before tax £6,130,000 (£5,428,000), carnings per share 18.61p (16.42p). The improved result comes principally from London Weekend Television. The reduction in group turnover is attributable to the deconsolidation of LWT's interest in Hntchinson after the merger with Century Publishing

• WALTER DUNCAN AND GOODRICKE: Dividend 15p (12p) for 1985, profit before tax d extraordinary items .724,228 (£1,409,751), profit after tax and extraordinary items £1,606,058 (£1,358,868). Transferred from reserve for buildings and maintenance nil

buildings and maintenance nil (£200,000). Earnings per share 87.23p (67.30p).

WAFES CITY OF LONDON PROPERTIES: More than 99 per cent of the 30,305.006 new ordinary shares nffered by way nf rights have been taken up. Shares not taken up have been sold and the excess over the subscription price (after expenses) of approx 30p per ordinary share will be distributed to provisional allottees originally entitled. Amounts unoriginally entitled. Amounts under £2, however, will be retained for the company's benefit.

RENAISSANCE ENERGY:

The company has increased gross revenues to Can\$33.48 million (Can\$14.56 million) and cash flow, after preferred dividends, to Can\$15.08 million (Can\$5.08 million) in the 1985 financial year. The increases reflect the 140 per cent increase in oil ampduction in oil production.

#### BASE LENDING RATES

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ABN	1	24%
Adam & Company	V1	14%
BUUT	1	74%
Citibank Savinost	1	24%
Consolidated Crds	11	24%
Continential Trust	1	14%
Co-operative Bank	11	24%
C. Hoare & Co	1	14%
LLoyds Bank	1	1%%
Nat Westminster	1	13.7
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#### **Record Results in 1985**

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£9,201,000 13.18p	1917	£8,	520,00 11.53	
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- Increase in profits for the eleventh. consecutive year
- 14% increase in earnings per shere
- Recent merger with CH Peerce & Sons pic announced 21st October, 1985
- Another good year is expected in

Accounts available from the Secretary, Crest House, Station Road, Egham, Surrey TW209NP

**Exchange rate**: nuctuations adversely affect profits reports lan B Church, Chairman

Turnover rose 7% to £55.2 million.

- Pre-tax profits—7% lower at £4.39 million demonstrate the effects of adverse foreign exchange fluctuations and both higher interest charges and more difficult trading conditions in the USA.
- A final dividend of 6p makes a total of 8.5p net for the year—an increase of 13%.
- Increased profits were achieved from both France and Belgium.
- Canadian profits, in dollars, were up by 35% and these very buoyant trading conditions have been maintained into 1986.
- Another record year for UK manufacturing companies and current order books remain encouraging.

Comparative results	1985	1984	1983
	£m	Etra	· £m
Sales	55.24	51.85	44.41
Trading profit	5.57	5.61	3.48
Profin before tax	4.39	4.72	2.80
Earnings per share	25.6p	31.Cp	16.9p
Dividend per share	8.5p	7.5p	5.5p

and accounts will be posted to shareholders on 18th Ap Church & Co. PLC., St. James, Normampton NNS 5JB.

# Sale Tilney

RECORD PROFIT, EARNINGS AND DIVIDEND

Year ending November	1985 £000	1984 £000	Increase
Profit before tax	4.103	3,104	+ 32%
Total shareholders' funds	13,527	12,375	+ 9%
Return on shareholders' funds	30.3%	25.1%	+ 21%
Earnings per share	17.0p	15.8p	+7.6%
Dividends per share	6.5p	4.7p	+ 38%
Net assets per share	89.0p	81.8p	+8.8%

Extracts from Chairman's Review "Sale Tilney Technology is successfully expanding its range of equipment and design services and its order book and enquiries are at record levels."

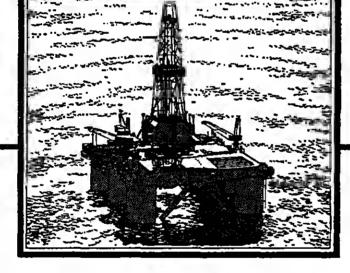
In the Food Manufacturing division our expenditure programme on the consolidation of our food manufacturing activities at Hastings has now been completed.

This modern facility is well equipped to supply our customers in increasing volume with a much wider range of products developed for current and future market

In our Financial Services division, trading to date is ahead of last year. We are also pursuing major plans to enlarge this division through acquisition.

The Group companies are organised into three strong and profitably growing divisions. The outlook for the future looks promising "Richard King — Chairman. Sale Tilney PLC

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YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER	1985	1984
PRODUCTION		
Crude oil (million barrels)	67	61
Gas (billion cubic feet)	86	69
FINANCIAL	S million	£ million
Turnover	1,799.6	1,548.7
Operating profit	727.5	691.7
Net interest (payable)/receivable	3.4	. (3.6)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxati Taxation	on 730.9	688.1
Petroleum revenue tax  — excluding UK safeguard	(410.9)	(385.8
UK safeguard	20.1	28.0
UK corporation tax/overseas tax	(152.0)	(160.9
Profit for the financial period	188.1	169.4
Dividends	(65.3)	(57.6)
Amount set aside to reserves	122.8	111.8
Farnings per share	37.44p	33.82p
Dividend per share	13.00p	11.50p
Funds generated from operations less		
tax pald	604.9	6128
Additions to fixed assets	545.8	512.8

The final dividend of 9.00 pence per share brings to 13.00 pence the dividend for the year compared to 11.50 pence in 1984. The final dividend will be paid on 29 April to shareholders on the register at close of business on 3 April 1986.

#### 1985 HIGHLIGHTS

Turnover increases to £1,799.6 million. Revenue from equity production at £1,467.8 million is up £132.4 million (10%) on 1984. The remainder of the increase is due to sales of purchased petroleum at £331.8 million (£213.2 million in 1984).

Pre-tax profit increases to £730.9 million, up £42.8 million (6%) on 1984, and after-tax profit to £188.1 million, up £18.7 million (11%) and higher than the Offer for Sale forecast. Year end cash and deposits stood at £350.3 million.

 Oil production (including LPG and condensate) averages 183,600 barrels per day (168,000 barrels per day in 1984) and gas production 236 million cubic feet per day (190 million cubic feet per day in 1984).

Acquired interests in 23 UK landward licences, including the Humbly Grove oil field, and 3 UK offshore licences, including the Glenn field, from Hadson Petroleum International pic.

Farmed in with an initial 16.5% interest to Texaco-operated UK block 3/4a, and the option of a further 33.5% interest in a As operator, completed the installation of the Clyde jacket and tied it into the pipelines for export of oil and gas to the Fulmar platform. Progress is on schedule for first oil in April 1987.

First production achieved from the partner-operated Statiford 'C' platform. Construction on the North Brae and Sean projects also proceeded on schedule. \* Britoil maintained its position as one of the leading explorers in the UK, involved in a total of 40 wells spudded offshore (operator for 13, including 3 on behalf of Texaco on

block 3/4a) and 11 spudded onshore.

\* Capital expenditure increased by 6% to £545.8 million, of which £388.4 million related to the UK. Within the total, exploration accounted for £255.2 million, the UK portion being

New overseas licences awarded in Ireland, the Netherlands, Norway and Thailand (onshore near Bangkok). The Thai licence is Britoil's first Far Eastern operatorship.

\* Overseas acquisitions made in the US from Freeport-McMoRan Inc and in Indonesia from Union Texas (13.33% interest in the Tomori block, offshore Sulawesi).

An oil discovery (Tiaka-1 on the Tomori block) and a gasdiscovery (Pagerungan-1 on the Kangean block) made in Indonesia. ANNUAL REPORT The Annual Report will be despatched at the beginning of

April and will include the Notice of the Annual General Meeting,

which is to be held at 2.30pm on Friday 25 April 1986 in the Douglas Suite, the Albany Hotel, Douglas Street, Glasgow. For a copy of the Report please complete and return the coupon to the Company Secretary Britoil plc, 150 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 51J. Existing shareholders will receive the Report shortly.

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March 21, 1986

By Peter Davenport

more than two storeys high. A

range of sports facilities for the

inner city is being developed

and there is a programme of improving parkland in the

area and schemes for enhanc-

A SPECIAL REPORT ON THE NORTH WEST/1

A land being born again

Britain's North West region is being transformed by a series of imaginative ventures which include the Greater Manchester Exhibition and Events Centre to be opened today by the



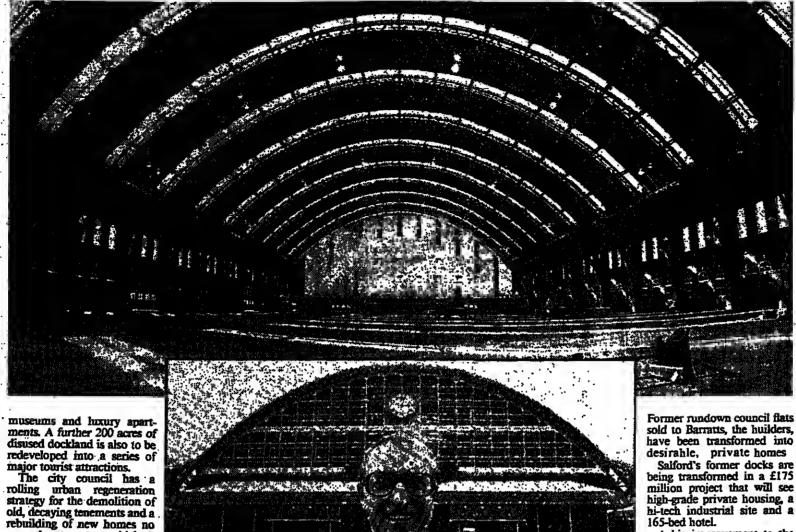
The fight to rid the North West of its ugly legacy of the Industrial Revolution will have twin benefits. It will not only improve the daily lot of the people who live and work in its towns and cities, it will also make the environment of the region much more attractive to ontside investors who are needed to provide the new jobs so badly needed.

It will, inevitably, be a longterm programme but there are already multi-million-pound schemes forging ahead in Liv-erpool, Manchester and Salford and many smaller towns.

The Government, through the Department of the Environment, is pumping more than £100 million a year into the area through its basket of urban aid programmes and derelict land grant. Much of it is tied in partnership deals with local authorities and private industry. And many of the schemes are turning once derelict, decaying relics of the industrial past into imaginative, attractive developments...

Liverpool, the Merseyside Development tech jobs.

Compression has inspired the On the site of the former Corporation has inspired the £100 million complete refurbishment of the Albert Dock club that was destroyed in the area into a waterfront village. Toxteth riots of 1981, a of shops, restained galleries, scheme by the Rural Preserva-



Back from obscurity: Manchester's central station finds an exciting new role in the North West's transformation as the G-MEX exhibition centre with Frank Winter at the helm

ing the general environment.

Once derelict land is also being reclaimed imaginatively. A 64-acre former railway touch of the countryside to an urban area in a low cost marshalling yard has been transformed, with 62,000 trees programme to make the site more attractive while it is held and 100,000 shrubs, into the in a land bank for later Wavertree Technology Park with the potential for 2,000 hidevelopment.

Greater Munchesses

There are many other examples of a new use for once derelict land. A recent study into the problem of wasteland into the problem of wasteland
by the University of
Liverpool's Environmental
Advisory Unit warned "If

tion Association has brought a land is left degraded, with only the tattered remnants of its former youth to proclaim its past, we are guilty of two major transgressions.

First, that a valuable re-

source is being wasted and second, that our environment and that of our children is being eroded."

tion centre in Manchester has been created from the old Central Station and there has been a £3.5 million renovation of the original Wigan Pier site that has turned a disused, derelict eyesore into a smart complex of museums, exhibition centre and restaurants.

sites. The new G-MEX exhibi-

Svent Centre

The city of Salford suffers badly from urban decay but there are schemes in hand that will improve the area greatly. Venue for the 21st century

When the Central Station was opened in Manchester at the end of the last century, it was to bring the goods and the people of the Industrial Revolution into the heart of a great

city.
Today when the Queen officially opens the renovated train hall as the Greater Manchester Exhibition and Event Centre, its developers hope it will signal a period of

21st-century prosperity.

The new complex, with its unique city-centre site and blend of highly adaptable internal facilities, will make Manchester into an important rival to the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham and London.

Interest was keen long be-fore the centre was completed. Frank Winter, the general manager of G-MEX, the management company running the centre, says: "We are highly satisfied with the way things are going. There was a tremen dous gap for such a centre in the north and because of our unique location right in the heart of the city, we may take business away from the NEC. "We have 28 exhibitions booked between now and

November and will achieve our predicted third-year results in the first year." Its first exhibition earlier this month was on the theme of industrial enterprise in the North West with 150 exhibiting companies.

high-grade private housing, a hi-tech industrial site and a Because of its large interna 165-bed hotel. space, unblemished by a single A big improvement to the pillar and with a roof arching environment of the whole 85 feet above the floor in a single span, it is ideal for athletics meetings, tennis region will be the outcome of a 25-year, £4 billion programme tournaments, equestrian events, classical and rock muto clean up the entire Mersey Basin. The initial work has attracted a £67 million grant sic concerts. from the European Develop-Manchester's international

ment Fund to be spent in the airport is a 25-minute drive away, there is an excellent network of motorways and regular inter-city train services into Victoria and Piccadilly first three years of work. In Manchester, where the new exhibition centre and the renovation of the Midland Hotel together with developstations. There are a wide ment of the Castlefield comrange of hotels, night clubs, plex of museums and tourist theatres and restaurants, all attractions have revitalized within a few minutes' walk of the city centre, there are also the centre The creation of the exhibiplans to turn disused office tion complex is expected to inject £14 million of extra blocks, and even a former fire

station, into botels.

business. This will also involve an extra 134,000 bednights for the nearby hotels.

The transformation of the old Central Station from a derelict dinosaur of a bygone age 10 an ultra-modern exhibition venue is just one phase of an amhitious scheme to renovate 26 acres of inner-city wasteland.

When completed it will see the major refurbishment of the old Midland Hotel into a five-star Holiday Inn. The rebirth of the station has cost £20 million and refurbish-ment of the Midland Hotel will cost a further £14.6 million. The entire 26-acre scheme is due for completion by the end of the next decade.



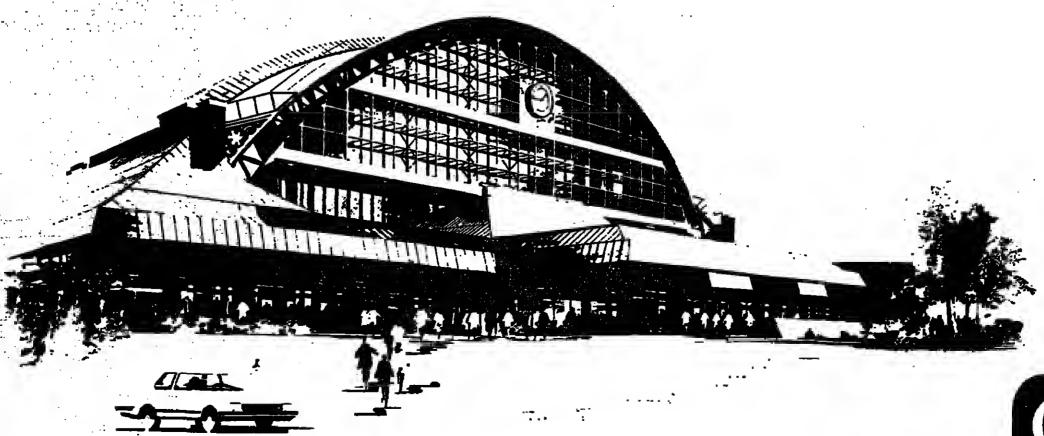
John Bogle: a modern centre sympathetic to history

To facilitate the develop-ment, the Greater Manchester Council formed Central Station Properties Ltd, a company jointly owned on an equal basis with Commercial Union

The renovation of Central Station was a daunting task. It opened in July 1880 to provide a link with the existing road network and extensive canal system around Manchester, it was expanded a decade later with the opening of the Great Northern Warehouse, now a listed building to be redeveloped as part of the scheme.

But economic and transport changes led to a steady decline Continued on page 24

# COMMERCIAL UNION GROUP bringing a brighter future to Manchester



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## full house at the Palace

changed dramatically during the past five years and its sopporters now claim it offers the best entertainment outside

The argument that provincial theatre was dying, giving declining audiences second-rate prodoctions in run-down venues, has been turned on its head.

Bob Scott, who was the first administrator of Manchester's acclaimed Royal Exchange Theatre, is now the managing director of Manchester Theatres Ltd. which operates the refurbished Palace and Opera House Theatres.

The two theatres, ailing in the 1970s, were rescued and renovated and now have an annual turnover of more than £10 million, with a six-figure trading profit. Mr Scott says: "We have had our success on the backs of our audiences. People can tell the difference between good and bad. We are now supplying the goods which people know are worth the

"It has been calculated that if everyone within one hour's drive of Manchester went to the theatre just once a year, and that's not too much to ask, we would need 22 new theatres to cope. We are at the heart of one of the greatest connurbations in Western Europe with 10 million people within one hour's

"What we suffered from in the past was second-rate productions, charging a percentage of the London price and the attitude 'That will do for them'. That is no longer the case and we now sell tickets that no one believes possible." The Palace was renovated at a cost of

The North West of England is

home to some of the best-

known industrial names in the

Excellence.

followed three years later by the Opera House, renovated at £1 million from its

previous use as a bingo club. Much initiative, and the cash, for the venture came from Raymond Slater, the chairman of the civil engineering firm Norwest Hoist.

The Palace was designed to be the second home of the Royal Opera and now also offers audiences the opportuni-ty of seeing important ballets. The Bolshoi is in residence for a week in August, the same month that the Londoo production of Evita opens at the Opera House. The revival of theatre is not yet finished, says Mr Scott. "As long as we hald oo to our nerve then I see no reason at all why other buildings, now used as bingo halls and such, should not revert to their original use as theatres."

But for some theatres, and other arts organizations, the abolition of the metropolitan counties of Greater Manchester and Merseyside at the end of the

month are posing an uncertain future. The Royal Exchange Theatre, which received more than £500,000 a year from the GMC, will have to depend on the negotiations with a committee formed from representatives of the 10 district

In Liverpoot abolition of the Merseyside County Council led to fears for the future of the Empire Theatre, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the Philharmonic Hall. The council had invested £1 million over three years in the theatre and it faced closure until a successful offer was accepted from the Apotto Leisure Group.

the Philharmonic Hall, but five local authorities in the area will still have to find more than £300,000 to continue funding the hall and the orchestra, despite an injection of extra Arts Council funds.

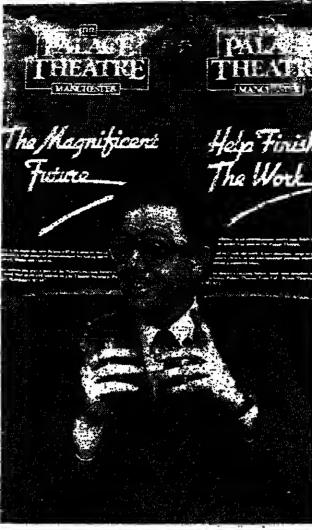
But there is a brighter note in the arts on Merseyside with the steady progress towards the opening of the Tate in the North. This will be housed in a refurbished warehouse in the imaginative Albert Dock waterfront development in Liverpool.

Phase one of the project, costing £6.5 million, will see the complete renovation of the building and is scheduled to open in the summer of 1988. The second phase, costing a further £3 million and which will provide more galleries and space for performing arts, will follow

The Merseyside Development Corporation has put up £4.5 million of the cost of phase one with a further £500,000 from the Office of Arts and Libraries. The trustees of the Tate have pledged to raise the remaining £1.5 million and fund raising is said to be going well. The trustees have also undertaken to find the £3 million to fund the final phase.

Alan Bowness, director of the Tate. has pledged that its oorthern ontiet will not be merely a dumping ground for works of art oot considered important enough for display in London.

It will feature major contemporary art from the past 40 years equal to any on display in Londoo and it is expected that np to half a million people a year will visit the Tate in the North.



Bob Scott: Huge audience success

# The big names in industry move in

world and efforts to market the area abroad to potential foreign investors are now being set down under the lahel. The Region of stands at perhaps 75 per cent.

None of the organizations or individuals involved in trying to bring new johs and investment would pretend that the region does not have goes on. some hig problems.

But its economic vitality remains a crucial part of the financial well-being of the nation as a whole, On a recent visit to Manchester, Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said that a prosperous North West was a high priority of government policy.

However, unemployment at 16.5 per cent doggedly refuses to come down and remains at almost three per cent above the oational average. In February 52,228 were out of work with only 18.312 vacancies. The figure for the Liverpool

travel-to-work area is 21.2 per cent. Within the city there are pockets of hopelessness and despair where unemployment

Disaffected youngsters face the prospect of life without ever holding down a real joh. However, the effort to attract more johs and new industry

Inward is the regional organisation, formed last May and backed by local authorities, government and privatesector industries alike. It is responsible for persuading overseas companies to set up io the area which already has more than 600 foreign firms. Basil Jeuda, its managing

director, reports that the agency has so far handled inquiries from almost 70 overseas companies, many based in the US. Anouncements about two developments involving £10 million of capital expenditure are expected this month.

Inward is its decision to appoint its first full-time representative in the US. If funds allow, a representative will later be appointed in Japan.

Inward has recently completed a detailed survey which, says Mr Jeuda, dispels any ootion that the region suffers unduly from bad industrial relations; a problem which in the past has left industrialists opposed to sinking risk capital in the area.

The decision by a Hong Kong-based garmeet manufacturer to set up a company oo Merseyside, bringing 300 & Spencer that it is to base its charge-card operations in Chester, eventually providing up to 750 jobs, have been a hoost to the morale of those working to step up new investment

Andy Toop, North West regional director of the CBI, The prime development for says: "The image of the at Chester, two io Manchester,

North West to those outside is a major problem and it is something we are working hard to change.

"Of course we have our problems. But this is a dynamic region, the second largest contributor to the GNP outside Londoo and the South East. Even in areas like Merseyside which gets so much adverse attention, there are real success stories."

Many internationally renowned concerns have their headquarters and operations in the area and are firmly committed to it. Companies oew jobs by September, and such as Ford, Plessey, Shell the approuncement by Marks and General Motors have all recently announced big investments.

Rolls-Royce employs 4,000 people at Crewe, turning out 2,500 of the world's mostfamous cars a year, most destined for the US market. British Aerospace has seven

sites throughout the region -

We've built power stations,

But it wasn't the hi-tech which

hi-tech office complexes, labora-

tories, fast-food restaurants, fac-

restore the old railway station as a

fine new exhibition and events

is a skill which the Victorian masons

took with them. We had to re-learn

For instance, fan-sett cobbling

centre for the city.

tories and much more besides.

the Tornado fighter for the

RAF and for export to Saudi

at Risley, near Warrington, is

the centre of the country's

nuclear industry. The area is home also to ICI, Ferranti and

Nearly one-quarter of the

country's annual output of

electronic and electrical engi-

neering graduates qualify io

The North West also has

British Nuclear Fuels, based

Arabia and Oman.

Pilkingtoo Glass.

Manchester.

Lostock, Warton, Preston and Salmesbury, employing more than 29,000. The plants around Warton are producing field within the region include ICI, Glaxo, Wellcome, Fisons and Beechams.

rapidly becoming a major centre for banking and financial institutions and the Northern Stock Exchange in

The key attraction in the selling of the North West is its communications. It boasts an elaborate network of motorways, rail links and, in Manchester, its own international airport with a growing roll-call

historic connections with the development of computer technology. The first commer-Government agencies and departments see the provision cially available computer, the of new jobs coming from the Ferranti Mark I Star was encouragement of smaller new developed in Manchester and businesses. But at the same the city is oow the location for time they wish to ensure that the National Computing traditional, large-scale industry remains competitive and

The North West region is an shrinks no more.

important centre for pharmacenticals, medical equipment and biotechnology with more than one-fifth of the entire British workforce employed in pharmacenticals production. Leading companies in the

The city of Manchester is the city has been revitalised.

of overseas destinations.

## Where Mr Rolls met Mr Royce

in use and the last train pulled out in 1969. The great Victoriwas the challenge at Manchester Central Station: it was the low-tech.
From its graceful roof, soaring
85 feet above the ground, to its
brick-vaulted undercroft, nothing
was ordinary about the project to an structure continued to loom over the city centre but it descended into dereliction and disuse.

For 11 years, the station had no use other than that of an occasional car park. Then in 1979 a Manchester architect, Jack Bogle, was engaged by a joint venture study group formed by GMC/CU to plan the development of the station and surrounding site. Though he wanted to retain the sense of history in the building, he did oot simply want to create a monument to the past.

He said: "I wanted to create space in keeping with its new use but also totally sympathetic to its history. The building presents a sense of occasion. Just entering h will make

people feel good."

The t4 large iron arches that formed the framework of the old station were retained to frame the new centre. The old clock in the facade remains and the new glass foyer, like an apron in front of the entrance, is supported by a series of castiron columns moulded from those that originally lined the side platforms of the station. The main attraction of the

exhibition centre is the amount of space it offers. The roof arches 85 feet above the floor in a single span giving an uninterrupted area covering almost 112,000 square feet.

imaginative arrangement of "sails" that can be swung into

Midland was the byword for elegance

place to allow two separate events to take place at the same time. This creates a 30,000 square foot room on one side and, on the other, an arena which can provide seating for 5,500 for ice hockey. equestrian events, tennis or boxing. The configuration can be changed again to form an 8,400-seat concert hall.

Today the Queen will also inaugurate the reconstruction project of the Midland Hotel. The first coouract for building work, worth £9 million, has been awarded to Fairclough

house tailor and its own sub-post office. And it was there that Mr Rolls met Mr Royce. Holiday Inn has designated a "flagship development".

Building, Western Division. The Midland originally opeoed 10 1903, was a red brick and brown polished stone edifice with a roof-top

and has imported its Crown

The finished project will incorporate a blend of Edwardian splendour with the most modern facilities. The high, ornate ceilings will remain and the 304 rooms, including 10 suites, will be refurbished and redecorated in period style. Modern additions will include a swimming pool, gymnasium, squash court and health clubs. It is due for completion in spring next

Plaza concept, popular with

completed by early next year.



## Full steam ahead for the marina

Major commercial developments are taking place in towns across the North West and many of them are regenerating previously depressed ar-eas. One of the largest schemes is the £100 million redevelopment of the former Preston

When complete it will transform a 250-acre size only a mile from the town centre into an important retail, commercial and leisure complex. A further 200 acres alongside is to be developed later.

The old docks, which pioneered the roll-on, roll-off technique only to see ports nearer the coast capitalize on the idea, were closed in October 1981 by order of an Act of

It meant that the local council could then approach the international market, seeking developers for the entire dockland area. This totals about 450 acres, making it one of the primer locations:

to be offered in the region. In December last year, the council signed the first formal contract for the new Preston Riversway site with the Balfour Beatty Group after two years of negotiations. The council has spent £8 million, much of it in the form of government dereliction land. grants, to clear the site, improve flood desences and install new access roads.

Thousands of more

the site is to be a shopping superstore for the Morrisons supermarket group. Work is about to start and should be

A major feature of the redevelopment will be a marina in the 50-acre former dock basin, with restaurants, pubs and shops. When completed, within 10 years, the site will also involve 30 acres of private housing and provide between 2,000 and 3,000 new full-time jobs. full-time jobs.

The council has already

motor-racing circuit, a pony trotting stadium or a leistice centre on the second phase 200 acres but no firm decision has yet been made.

In Stockport, invitations to develop a retail park close to the town centre, on a 12-scre site formerly owned by North West Gas, has attracted 32 submissions from developers. retail consortiums and pension funds. The agents, Grimley & Son of Manchester are now drawing up a short lest for further discussions.

Nicholas Whitt, a partner with the firm, said selection will also take account of attractive architectural design and landscaping. Most of the proposals are of a high standard in this respect in line with our intention to help to create and maintain an attractive towa-ecutic environment in Stockport. The

> Proposals are of a high standard

opened Asda and Sainsburys superstores and near junction 13 of the M63 motorway.-

Just a few miles away, work. is in progress on Waterfront 2000 a commercial project being developed by Fearnley Development at Saiford Quey, The first phase is due for completion later this year. In total it will provide 160,000 square feet of low-rise property aimed at technology-based electronics companies.

The scheme forms part of the large-scale regeneration of Salford Docks. Other projects under way in the area include the construction of a 165-bed hotel to be operated by British Caledonian, an eight-screen cinema and private housing.

In Manchester, the former home of the Manchester Ship Canal Company — Ship Canal House — has undergone major refurbishment and extension to provide 73,600 square feet of accommodation and basement car parking. The project was undertaken by Guardian received proposals to build a Royal Exchange Assurance.

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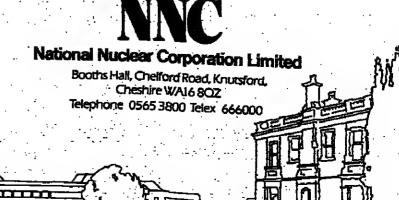
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# The shake-up coming after the abolition

The political map of the North West runs, the entire spectrum from the solid Tory seats of rural Cheshire to the Militant stronghold of Liverpool. Four million of the region's population are in for a political change at the end of this mouth when the metropolitan counties of Greater Manchester and Merseyside are abolished.

They are to disappear in the local-government shake-up that will also end the Greater London Council and lour other metropolitan authorities. Many of the responsibilities of the county authorities will be given back to the district councils and to a series of boards. Residuary bodies in Manchester and Liverpool will over-

Manchester and Liverpool will over-see the winding-up of the councils, dispose of surplus property and handle compensation payments for staff left without jobs to go to.

The reorganization has been de-signed to remove a tier of bureaucracy and to return more power to people in their own locality. But critics say that it will merely lead to

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a slowing-down in services and an increase in rates as well as bureaucratic chaos.

The Greater Manchester council, which covers an area of 497 square miles and a population of 2.5 million, has responsibilities for highways, busts, planning, refuse, recreation, arts, consumer services. the police and fire service.

In the aftermath of abolition, there will be joint boards consisting of representatives from each of the 10 district councils in the area to run refuse collections, the police, fire services and highways with the funding being shared among the authorities.

The GMC employs 16,600 and with only weeks before the abolition deadline, all but 540 have found other jobs to go to, many joining the district councils. Bernard Clarke, Labour leader of

the county council, is criticial of the new arrangements. He believes they will prove so unsuccessful that another reorganization, the third

since 1974, would be required within a few years.

He argues that not only will services to the public slow down as 10 authorities try to agree on a common approach but that the ratepayers will find themselves paying out more money to receive

The GMC is the largest metropol-itan county outside London and it has been calculated, he said, that the new arrangements will cost an extra £15 million a year.

Mr Clarke says that the abolition and the combined effects of new transport regulations will push up has fares and lead in 2,000 job losses in the area. But the main blow will be the ending of a regional voice on large scale, long term economic issues, which, he says, are vital to efforts to revitalise many of the industrially depressed areas within

Mr Clarke said: "Abolition has been done for political reasons there is no doubt about that. I am a



Bernard Clarke: A critic

politician but I see the regions doing a very important, strategic, economic job and nobody is stepping in to pick up those pieces."

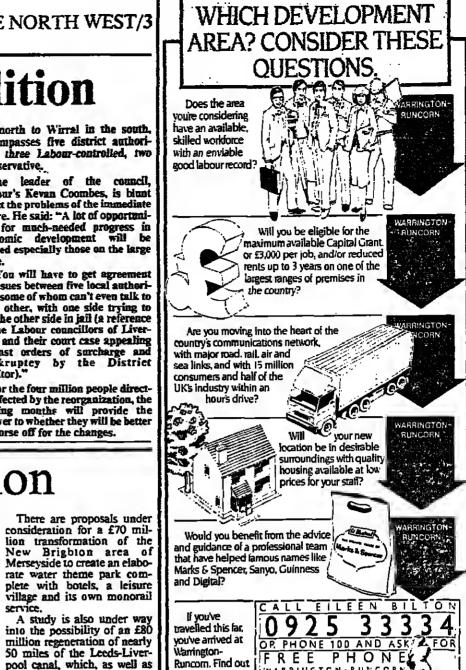
Merseyside County Council, which stretches from Southport in

the north to Wirral in the south, encompasses five district authorities, three Labour-controlled, two Conservative.

The leader of the council Labour's Kevan Coombes, is blunt about the problems of the immediate future. He said: "A lot of opportunities for much-needed progress in ecocomic development will be missed especially those on the large scale.

"You will have to get agreement on issues between five local authorities, some of whom can't even talk to each other, with one side trying to put the other side in jail (a reference to the Labour councillors of Liver-pool and their court case appealing against orders of surcharge and bankruptcy by the District Auditor)."

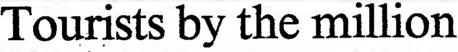
For the four million people directly affected by the reorganization, the answer to whether they will be better or worse off for the changes.



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From the bright and frequently breezy delights of Blackpool to the wide open spaces of the Peak District, from stately homes to the Maritime Museum in Liverpool,the North West boasts a varied agenda for tourists.

Many of its attractions have been imaginatively recreated from the once-sorry relics of its industrial past - for example, the impressive Albert Dock waterfront development in Liverpool and the Wigan Pier complex.

The region's two leading cities, Manchester and Liverpool, have an abundance of theatres, orchestras, museums, art galleries and restaurants. It is also home to successful football clubs and has fine sporting facilities.

Sole growth industry in some parts'

The region now attracts 12 million visitors a year. British tourists spend about £430 million annually; those from abroad a further £143 million. Up to 100,000 jobs depend. directly or indirectly on tour-

The industry is vital to a local economy that has snffered in the recession and by the decline of once-traditionlarge-scale employing

industries. According to Anthony Goldstone, chairman of the North West Tourist Board, tourism is the only growth industry in many parts of the region. Its continued development is vital to its future

He said: "Tourism is vital. It is going to be our saviour as a region. The industrial revolution began here and it has been our lifeblood but that

simation bas changed.
"Unemployment is catastrophic because large-scale engineering has gone and the size of the textile industry is laughable compared with what it was just 10 years ago.

"We have a situation where we either die or take on new types of industry. We cannot compete with the Costa del Sol and it would be daft to talk about it. But we do have the best theatre and music outside London, art galleries, seaside resorts like Blackpool, historic towns like Chester and the

Mr Goldstone says recent statistics disclose that only 6 per cent of people in Britain take more than one holiday abroad every year, which meant there was a vast potential of people to be persuaded to visit the North West.

Mr Goldstone added: "How valuable is tourism? Well, if it were to be banned from tomorrow morning, if some-ooe said it is forbidden to visit the North West, this area would die. I am coovinced of that. The future is in the leisure industry."

As part of the intensified. drive to attract more visitors, the North West Tourist Board has linked up with the three other tourist authorities in the North to form the Northern to mount joint campaigns.

A sign of their confidence is that a roadshow destined for the United States is to visit

what for many people is the ultimate holiday destination, the West Coast, with its consideration for a £70 million transformation of the tradition of sand, snn and surf New Brighton area of to try to persuade Californians Merseyside to create an elaboto cross the Atlantic for the rate water theme park compleasures of the North West of plete with botels, a leisure

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England.
Tourism io the North West has increased by 12 per ceot io the past two years. Seven million people a year oow visit Blackpool's pleasure beach, making it one of the most visited attractions any-

where in Britain. Tourist board staff acknowledge that their principal problem is still one of image.
Jonathao Tocker, the board's development manager, said: "We have always identified that we have an image problem. People still

Variety of proposals should boost jobs

think it is all grim, satanic mills and cobbled streets when in fact much of the area is mainly rural."

Problems with image can also lead to a reluctance on the behalf of iovestors. The board recently held a seminar for the City to persuade financiers of the benefits of investing in the region.

New developments for the tourist inclode a £15 million scheme in Blackpool. The borough council in conjunction with Sunley Leisure, is transforming open-air baths into a complete holiday-under-one-roof centre. It is to be known as the Sand Castle and is due for completion this



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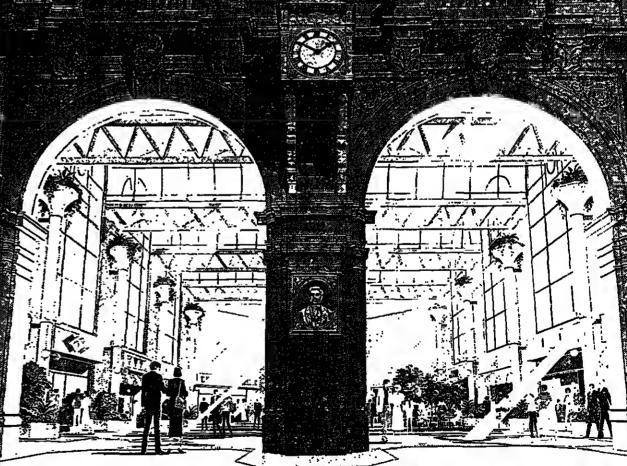
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# Nissan Bluebird set to spread wings The latest Nissan Bluebird effort into getting this right and the RX-7 sports coupe has and the RX-7 sports coupe has a well accepted as a

The latest Nissan Bluebird saloons and hatchbacks announced this week are not simply replacements for the former and well-established Bluebird saloon and Stanza hatchback, they are precursors of the same models that are to be produced in Great Britain at the Nissan factory at Washington, co Durham. This 'green grass' site has now been completed and fitted out with high-technology machinery from Britain, mainland Europe and Japan and the pilot production cars are now being assembled. Full scale production starts io July to build dealer stocks ready for launch-

ing m the autumn.

Meantime, the identical model range is being imported from Japan, which will continue to top-up domestic produc-tion (starting at 2,000 cars a month) until such time as Washington can cope. The fact that Nissan see sales of 25,000 Bluebirds alone next year is an indication that the company is broadening its horizons and will look beyond the traditional private sector of the lucrative fleet business.

With a range of 1.6, 1.8 and 2.0 fire cars pitched model for model against the Sierrra, Cavalier and Montego estab-lishment, plus a high equipmeot specification and keener pricing, there is little doubt that the newcomer will gain ground, however rough the competition.

Certainly Nissan would appear to have done their home- France recently showed how work very thoroughly. Extensive test driving of pro-totype cars in Britain and on Rather like the Austin Roverthe Continent has resulted in a huilt Hondas and other direct version of the car which is imports, the interior is rather very suited to our tastes and plastic-looking but still offers requirements in terms of ride a high degree of comfort and and handling. Add to this amenity. All cars have radios acceptable looks - by no and most have a cassette means memorable yet still player, while the 2.0SGX fivehusinesslike and attractive - door hatchback oo which I and a high degree of comfort concentrated my driving had and this is a car that will suit a central door locking, electrigood many drivers.

The Bluebird comes in fourdoor salooo and five-door adjustable for beam angle hatchback form, with the three engine sizes, all with a fivespeed gearbox as standard and, in the case of the 1.8 and rear seats with variable rake. 2.0 models, a four-speed automatic as an option. To broad- way hard dooe by in this en the appeal as much as Bluebird. possible, the salooo is offered with a special 1.8 turbo- surefooted on both winding charged engine developing 135bhp. Also new for Nissan is a diesel engined car, both

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felt somewhat cramped,
though the makers claim more

With a price span from £6,499 for the 1.6L saloon, to £10,177 for the 2.0SGX hatchback with automatic gearbox

(the manual version I tried is

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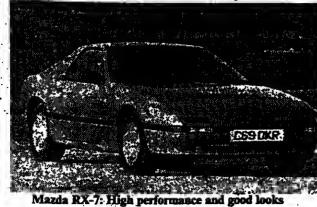
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become well accepted as a competitive car in its class. The latest version, which

goes oo sale through selected Mazda dealers this week at £13,995, shows further development along proven lines and with a brand new body which bears more thao a passing resemblance to curreot Porsche styling.

While ooe can quesiton the practicality of a 130mph coupe nutside the German autobahoen, there is no doubt that performance still sells cars. The latest RX-7 handles as well as it looks and this is due in no small part to the adoption of Bridgestone's oew RE71 high performance tyres as standard. These are a unidirectional design, to clear water from the road at a greater rate

The engine is a twin-rotor unit with single chamber ca-pacities of 654cc each and pacines of 134ce each and electronic fuel injection, producing 150bhp at 6,500rpm, this corresponding to a conventional unit of 2,354cc. The transmission is an updated versioo of the previous five-speed manual gearbox, driv-iog the rear wheels. The

Vital statistics Model: Mazda RX-7 2+2 Coupe Price: %13,995 Engine:Twin-rotor Wankel Performance:0-60mph 8.5 sec-onds; top speed 130mph Official consumption:urban 16.5mph, 56mph 33.6mph, 75mph 25.0mpg Length:14 feet 0.9 inches Insurance: Group 7

suspensioo uses a modified McPhersoo coil and strut layout at the front and ao independent twin trapezoidal link rear suspension which adjusts to counteract forces imposed upoo it.

To Mazda, the RX-7 is technically a 2+2; to the owner it is a two-seater which could carry a couple of youngsters if the need arose. It is a comfortable car, typical of the best of its kind, with good legroom, adjustable steering and a coovenient instrument and control layout. With good average luggage space, it proves quite a practical tour-ing car that is relaxed on a long drive. Equipped to a high standard, complete with the latest Clarion stereo radio/cassette with computerised ani-theft system, it does prove a worthy contender in this class, mainly for being complete at the price with the

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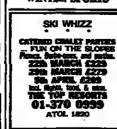
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# Hope is the driving force for Mansell on the road to Rio

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At 2 pm local time on Sunday afternoon a green light will be switched on over the starting line at the Jacarepagna chemit near Rio de Janeiro to signify the hosinging of the 16-race beginning of the 16-race est for the 1986 world

Taking place in high humidity, with the air temperature hovering around the 100°F mark and on a track with the most corners and the most abrasive surface of any of the current circuits, the Brazilian Grand gruelling start to a season which brings many changes from the scene at Adelaide where the 1985 suries ended last

Only 12 of the 25 drivers taking part on Senday are driving for the same team as last year and some familiar faces are year and some familiar faces are missing. Niki Lauda has retired for the second and almost certainly the last time, and Derek Warwick, who most certainly has not resigned, has been outmamocurred in the big driver reshuffle and stust now stand at the top of every team owner's "first reserve" list as he prepares for a season of endurance racing with Jaguar.

Remanit have disappeared from the starting grid and are now only engine suppliers to JPS Lotus, Tyrrell and Ligier, for whom they have a new power unit in which the valves are closed by air pressure instead of

closed by air pressure instead of by a spring. Alfa Romes, too, have left the scene and RAM are also unlikely runners, while the former Tolemans are now known as Benetions following a change of team ownership, and the famous blue of Tyrrell has been replaced by the black and white colour scheme of new spousors Data General.

For the past two years the vinners of the Brazilian race winners of the Brazilian race (Mariboro McLaren) have gone on to collect both the drivers' and caastructors' world championships. This year, if there is a favourite for the "double" in what promises to be a particularly close-fought season under revised and tougher rules (maximum fuel tankage has been reduced from 220 to 195 litres, placing the emphasis more emphasically than ever on efficient engine management systems) then it has to be the efficient engine management systems) then it has to be the Canon Williams team, notwithstanding the recent car ac-cident which has left Frank Williams in a London hospits fighting paralysis of both legs. His team won the last three races of 1985 and their new car

has shown promising form in pre-senson testing, which means that in Nigel Mansell Britain has the best chance of providing a world champion since James Hont's title in 1976, although be will need to be on peak form if be is consistently to beat his new team partner Nelson Piquet – already twice a champion and still rated by many as the best driver of them all.

The white-hot hope of Britain: Mansell the front runner

the McLaren team alongside the current champion Alain Prost, because the two have very different driving styles and ideas of how their car abould be set up. Remarkably, the latest McLaren is a further evalution of what is now the five-year-old design (get it right first time and you can forget about assumd rethinks) but a completely new car can be expected later in the

The latest Brabham, on the other hand, is all new with a BMW engine laid almost on its side and driving through a seven-speed transmission which has been giving some teething troubles to grand prix racing's leavest they recipe out the lowest slung racing car - the latest product of the fertile brain of designer Gordon Murray. The new car may well need a race or two before it reveals its true

McLaren, is an evolutionary model, but as Ayrton Senna has ted, very. quick. He need it to be because nothing less than the 1986 world championship for the Brazilian can justify his refusal to accept an experienced driver like Derek and then Warwick in the team's other car. in 1987.

Jehnny Dumfries is a driver of exceptional potential, but in his first season in Formula One he. can only be expected to give Seana limited support out on the track, so Seana must now prove he can get the Joh done on his

Ferreri, in the doldrums last Ferrari, in the doldrums last season after a promising start, sprang a surprise by unveiling the radically changed car last week to see them through to September when an all-new design is expected. It would be nawise to belittle this team's chances in 1986 because they have a habit of coming good just when they are least expected to do so.

The long-term plans of Carl

Has are madicated by the phasing out of Beatrice sponsor-ship although his team will begin the season with improved versions of the Loba-Hart seen versions of the Lola-Hart seen last autumn pending the switch to the new Ford-powered Lolas after the new V6 engine has completed its pre-race development programme. Expect this team to produce some solid results before the end of the year and then inin the front-rumers. and then join the front-runners

The teams MARLBORO MCLAREN: Drivers: Alain Proet (Fr), aged 31: Kake Rosberg (Fin). 37. Care: McLaren-TAG MP4/2C, Tyres:

CANON WILLIAMS: Drivers: Nigo Marsell (GB), aged 31; Nelson Pique (Brazil), 33. Cera: Williams-Honda FW11. OLIVETTI BRABHAM: Drivers: Riccardo Patrese (N), aged 31; Elio de Angelis (N), 27. Cars: Brabham-BMW BTSS. Tyres: Pirall. JOHN PLAYER TEAM LOTUS: Drivers chang Duraties (GB), aged 27; Ayron enna (Br), 26. Cent JPS Lotus-Renau ST. Tyres: Goodyest. WEST ZAKSPEED: Driver: Jonathy eimer (GC), aged 29. Cer. Zakspeed 86 pres: Goodyear. TEAM HAAS LOLA: Drivers: Alan Jones (Aus), aged 39; Perick Tambey (F1), 36. Care: Lola-Hart HL/1 and Lola-Ford HL/2. Tyree: Goodyear. BARCLAY ARROWS: Drivers: Mirc Surer (Switz), aged 34; Thierry Boutsen (Bell, 28. Cars: Arrows-BAIN AS. Tyres: Goodwar. OSELLA: Deveric Ivan Capali (ii), aged ; Christian Darmer (WG), 27. Oscit jella-Alfa Romeo FA1. Tyres: Pirela. GITAMES Ligarit: Drivens: Rene Amoux (Fr), eged 37: Jecques Laffile (Fr), 42. Cars: Ligier-Renealt JS27. Tyres: Pirell.

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FERRARI: Drivers: Michele Alboreto (fd aged 29; Steten Johanseon (Swe), 29 Cara: Ferrari F186, Tyres: Goodyear.

Despite the reduction in fuel capacity, and therefore con-sumption, power outputs in race trim are likely closely to match those of last year; now some way lap special" qualifying engines — a totally unwarranted burden on racing teams' operational

dgets. With tyre width restricted to 18 inches, mid-race tyre changes year. But on Sunday afternoon it drivers as much as their muchisery which will be decisive in the closing stages of the race at Rio it is invariably a case of the survival of the fittest.

John Blunsden

RUGBY UNION: NEW SOUTH WALES PLAN FOR A MAGNIFICENT SEVENS

# Flair on the field and off it

From David Hands, Rugby Correspondent, Sydney

Andrew Stack's grand stam 1984 Australians gave Britain an idea of the slick, aggressive, attractive rugby currently being played in the southern hemipayed in the southern nectur-sphere. Tomorrow a select few Britons will appreciate that those qualities are not confined to the field of play when New South Wales begin two days of international sevens to eclebrate the official opening of their new Concord Oval around here

The New South Wales Union, though 112 years old, has lacked a home of its own and the a nome or its own and the development of the existing Concord ground—of which this is only the first phase of a project costing A\$4.8 million (nearly £2½ million)— coincides with two years of relentations activities as time when less activity at a time when Australian rugby has a high

profile. In line with this aggressive marketing stance, the state has put A\$300,000 into a television advertising campaign designed to attract people to rugby union at a time when Sydney is crammed to bursting with visitors to the Royal Easter Show, itors to the Royal Easter Show; when the international sevens, including teams from 16 countries, concludes the week; when a new Pacific rugby tournament involving Fiji, Tonga, Queensland, New South Wales, Wellington, Canterbary and Auckland begins on April 12; and when Australia face an unprecedented winter campaign of seven internationals at home dented winter campaign of seven internationals at home and in New Zealand.

Only England and Wales of the four home countries have sent teams to the sevens, Scot-land and Ireland having de-clined because of domestic

Youth and inexperience accounted for their failtering opening. Eight members of this
successful side will be returning,
and on Saturday they will
contribute two players, Peter
Walton, a prop who is chosen at
lock, and Hamish Martin, a
flanker, to the Scottish Schools
XV to meet a Scottish Youth

XV to meet a Scottish Youth

The school's main strength is

in the backs and the back row, Martin, Logan Mair and Evan. Jobling-Purser, and the captain and prop, Alan Thompson. The

future seems bright, especially as the under-14 team of two

years ago (last season's under-15s) have not lost a match for

15s) have not lost a match for two years.

Merchiston carved a unique niche in Scottish rugby as the only school to win the Golden

Merchiston carved a unique Grasshoppers Club on March 21. 22 and 23.

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commitments. Although there are some loose ends to the overall organization, the British players and management will be interested to compare the style and pace of presentation of the game with their domestic experience.

In that respect they will be joined by members of the world

tournament organizing commit-tee and sundry members of the International Board and na-tional presidents who were due vesterday to take dinner at a leading rugby league club in order to illustrate at first hand the competition which league presents to union, even in this city when the union code is city where the union code is

strong.

Meanwhile, the players are putting their minds to the abbreviated game. Australia beabbreviated game. Australia begin the tournament tomorrow by playing the Netherlands. England and Spain are in that same group A. Group B includes New Zealand, Tonga, Wales and United States; group C, Argentina, Romania, Western Samoa and Japan; and group D France, Fiji, Canada and South Korea. The two leading teams from each group progress to quarter-

The two leading teams from each group progress to quarterfinals and semi-finals, and the 
final will be played on Sunday 
after the official opening of the 
ground by Mr Neville Wran, the 
New South Wales Premier. 
Australia, winners of the Hong 
Kong Sevens last March, are top 
seeds and will be led by Gould, 
the Queensland full back, who 
props in sevens.

props in sevens.
England, with a squad lacking many leading players whose clubs are still involved in the Merchiston approach master class

Merchisten Castle School's Acre Sevens and the Merchiston Sevens, which they achieved in successful in Scotland is suspect only if one focuses attention on their indifferent start to the season. But their impressive, final record reads: played 16; won 13; points for 303; points against 104.

Youth and inexperience active of the season against for the season against French Schools in Fréjus on March 29 (David Hands writes). Angus MacDonald from Hampton School, will play stand-off half, were a great success, supporting the view that they will achieve The 16-Group side prepare for

the view that they will achieve the status in the North that the Rosslyn Park Sevens commands

Rosslyn Park Sevens commands nationwide. Warwick proved the most accomplished side in the main competition and beat Ashville College 38-0 in the final; QEGS, Wakefield, do-reated Rathin School 19-10 in the final of the plate comp-

St Brendan's remarkable saga of success continues. They beat Totacs Colts 36-10 at the 15-a-

side game, then won the Marling and the Clifton Sevens in a

flurry of wonderful form that must make them favourites for

Schools Rugby by Michael Stevenson

flanker and an excellent ballhandling forward, discovered that a knee injury sustained last weekend was not responding to treatment as expected.

England trained yesterday at Manly on the north side of Sydney Harbour, hoping that the weather is less enervating the weather is less enervating than it was yesterday. They are likely to play Thomas (Sale), Simms (Liverpoot), Jermyn (Rosstyn Park), Hill (Bath), Ripley (Rosslyn Park), Simpson (Sale) and Bond (Sale) in their fact that the sale is the sale in the sale is the sale in the sale is the sale in the sale is t (Sale) and Bond (Sale) in their first match against Spain, and bring in Clough (Orrell), Williams (Orrell) and Winterbottom (Headingley) for Simms, Jermyn and Simpson against Australia.

Wales have no fitness problem.

Wales have no fitness prob-lems. Their first game is against United States which should pose few problems for Jonathan Davies and company. They then have demanding games against New Zealand and Tonga, the All Blacks being led by Wayne Smith.

It has been confirmed here that Andrew, the Nottingham and England stand-off half, will spend the summer in Sydney appearing for the Gordon club whose last British visitor of note was Sandy Hinshelwood, the Scotland and 1966 British Lions

wing. Andrew has been in touch this season with Alan Jones, the Australian coach, who steered him in the direction of Gordon in the hope that he could inspire them to a long awaited premier-ship final. Two other English players are already due to appear for Manly this season. Woodward, the former Leicester centre, and Holdstock, the Not-

The 16-Greep side prepare for a two-match tour of Italy with a game on Sunday (11.0) against a President's XV at Blackheath.

Scots name 26-strong tour party

Players who are on the fringe of selection by Scotland will be on trial during the Scots' short tour of Spain and France later this spring. Seven uncapped players are in the 26-strong squad from whom the Scots choose their team to face a Spanish XV in Barcelona before going on to tackle four French regional sides on the 17-day tour.

All seven played in the Scot-land B team's recent 12-9 vic-tory over France B. The omers among the backs are Colin Flanigan and Simon Scott (both Melrose), the Harlequins stand-off, Richard Cramb, and Stuart Johnston, of Watsonians. Among the forwards aiming to Among the forwards aiming to make an impression, with the inaugural World Cup only a year away, are Gary Waite (Kelso). George Runciman (Melrose) and Derek Turnbull (Hawick).

Several members of the Scotseveral members of the Scot-tish XV who shared the five nations' championship with France are either injured or unavailable for selection. Gavin unavailable for selection. Gavin
Hastings, the full back, who set a
Scottish record of 52 points in
the championship, has university examinations and the new
British Lions captain, Colin
Deans, will be absent because of
pressure of business. Other
notable absentees are John
Rutherford, Roy Laidlaw, Iain
Milne, Roger Baird and David
Sole.

Gary Callander, the Kelso hooker, captains the party, which leaves on April 28 and

returns on May 15. SCOTLAND SQUAD: P W Dode (Gale), C Flanigum (Melrose); M D F Dumcan (West of Scotland), Tulcalo (Selicita), S Heatings (Watsonians), D I Johnston (Watsonians), W Bobertson (Melrose), S Scotl (Stewart's-Melville FP); R Camb (Harlesquins), D S Wylle (Stewart's-Melville FP); B Camb (Harlesquins), D S Wylle (Stewart's-Melville FP); A D G Mactenzie (Stewart's-Melville FP), A D G Mactenzie (Melville FP), A D G Mactenzie (Melville), J G Mactenzie (Melville), J J Campolati (Hawicic), F Calder (Stewarts-Melville), J J Affrey (Keleo), D J Turnbull (Hawicic); J R Beattie (Glasgow Acadericals), D B White (Gale).

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• France have selected a strong team to play Portugal tomorrow in the FIRA championship. Gallion, the scrum half who was forced to withdraw from the game against Scotland in January with a knee injury and failed to regain his place in the five nations' championship, plays, as do Codorniou and four other senior players.

President's XV at Blackheath.

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Down the years there has been a particularly close association between Tipperary and the Grand National one of the biggest surprises in the history of the race was sprung by the 100-1 outsider, Tipperary Tim, in 1928.

Other National winners to be bred there included Sundew and Kilmore while Vincent O'Brien had transferred his training establishment from while Vincent O'Brien had transferred his traiolog establishment from Doneraile in Co. Cork to Cashel in Co. Tipperary when Royal Tan and Quare Times provided him with the second and third legs of a unique treble.

This year, Drumlargan and Monanore will fly the flag for Tipperary. Both are quoted at 33-1 but there the similarity ends. Drumlargan represents

similarity ends. Drumlargan represents the 64-strong stable of Eddie O'Grady while Monanore is one of just five horses trained by Bill Harney, a veterinary surgeon

Drumlargan first entered a sales ring as an unbroken three-year-old at Ballsbridge in 1977 and was knocked down to O'Grady for 4,500 guineas. He later passed him oo to Michael Cuddy, a long-time selector of the Irish international rugby unioo team.

For the greater part of his racing career Drumlargan carried the Cuddy colours but B little more than a year ago, when the Bronfman family wanted a representative for the Grand National (the sponsorship of which had been taken over by their firm, Seagram), they bought him. He now runs in the name of Mrs Georgiana Bronfinan and he has won tywo races for her in Ireland, one of which was the Red Mills Trial Chase at Gowran Park.

The Bronfmans and O'Grady shared the disappointment of his rider, John Francome, when Drumlargan, for the only time in his life, burst a blood vessel and had to be pulled up in last year's National. That was Francome's farewell mount at Liverpool and it ended his hopes of success in the one big race he oever won. Prior to that mishap,



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Monanore: gained his eighth chasing success at Gowran Park yesterday

The nearest she got to winning a race

was when second in 8 five-furlong

handicap at Tralee and, at the end of her

racing days, they were at 8 loss to know what to do with her. They eventually decided to make a present of her to John

The only proviso attached to the gift was that the trio should share in Mouskouri's first foal. From a mating

with a local sire, Prefairy, she produced Monanore, who is now the winner of

one flat race and eight steeplechases for

So far she has shown stamina in

excess of speed and it is obvious that she

does not take after her dam's family.

Mouskouri, in going so close to winning over five furlongs, was certainly follow-ing to the footsteps of her immediate

ancestors. According to Keylock's Dams

of Winners, Mouskouri is a grand-daughter of Outspan, who herself produced eight individual winners of 19

races, all but one of which were

achieved at the minimum sprint

Monanore; described by his trainer as

a perfect gentleman, has taken quite a

time to mature and his most important

successes have come during the current season. At Thurles in early January, he

took home the Malooy Cup, a handicap that is often woo by a good horse. A

more important victory came 10 days later in the Goffs Thyestes Handicap Chase at Gowran Park and he returned

there yesterday to win the Paulstown Handicap Chase.

The ground at Gowran for the Thyestes was heavyand, in Harney's opinion, his horse is at his best in these

conditions. "It is oot so much that he

does not act oo good ground," he said. "It's more that the others normally go

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FORM: CHAPLINS CLUB (8-12) won %1 from Imperial Jade (9-10) with BROADWATER MUSIC (7-9) 4th beaten 41. 15 ran. York 51 h cap good to soft Oct 9. WILL GEORGE (8-2) 3rd beaten %1 to Padre Pio (8-10) with SPACEMAKER BOY (8-4) 7m, BROADWATER BUSIC (9-7) unplaced, and HILTON BROWN (9-7) unplaced, 27 ran. Doncester 51 hosp ook to 00. BAY BAZAAR (8-2) and beaten 21 to Placo Man (9-4) 10 ran. Porteinact 51 h cap good to firm July 25. FARMER, JOCK (8-9) 10th beaten over 51 to 5ir Wilmon (8-12) 20 ran. Yarmouth 61 h cap good to firm Sep 17. SPACEMAKER BOY earlier (8-9) 2nd beaten ink to Music Machine (7-12) 10 ran. Ponteinact 51 h cap good to firm Oct 14. BLESSBOY (8-4) won 1%1 from IMONSART (8-10) 11 ran. Ayr 61 self-sels good to soft July

4.45 SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAIDEN SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O-2684:51)

004060- PETRIZZO (C Elion C Britain 5-9-10 313410- TRESIDDER (High potentials of Reciping M W E 001120- MORGANS CHORCE (C HII) C Hill 98-13. 100300- TRAPEZE ARTIST(8) (Introgroup Holding

4.15 WILL SCOTT HANDICAP (£2.618:50) (18)

Meagher, who farmed close by.

her lucky partners.

distance.

Drumlargan had jumped exceptionally well and O'Grady has a dramatic picture of him clearing Becher's Brook as if it was no more than a small hurdle. As part of his preparation for this year's race, Drumlargan went north on Monday to run at Down Royal but disappointed, trailing in last of the finishers behind Bold Agent. However, it might be unwise to write off Drumlargan on this one bad run as there

is little similarity between three miles at Down Royal and 4½ miles at Aintree. O'Grady still recalls with pride how Drumlargan won the Sun Alliance Hurdle at Chehenham six years ago and later picked up his biggest prize, the Whithread Gold Cup. "He is a marvellous stayer," Eddie said. "If I could be sure that he is at his peak, I would give him a sporting chance. After all, he finished a commendable third to Burrough Hill Lad in the Cheltenham

Gold Cup two years ago," There is a solid family background behind Drumlargan for Eddie's father, the late Willie O'Grady, was one of the outstanding jump jockeys in Ireland before the war and a man who achieved one of his most memorable successes oo Hearbreak Hill in the Grand Sefton, a chase run over the Grand National fences at the November meeting.

Bill Harney's connecting with Aintree, and indeed with racing, is a much more tennous one. Nonetheless, he has shown by his handling of Monanore that he knows plenty about preparing a steeplechaser for his chosen objective.

The story of Monanore begins more than a decade ago when two profession-al men from Nenath in Co Tipperary, Noel O'Meara, a solicitor, and Dr Eddie O'Grady: gives Dramlargan a Richard Fogarty put B filly named Mouskouri into training at the Curragh

# Aintree chance By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

PLUNDERING is stapped to draw attention to his chance in the Grand National on April 5 by winning the Woodhay Handicap Chase over 3½ miles at Newbury this afternoon,
Absent from the fray all last season because of leg trouble, Plandering has been restricted to the country of the state of th

to two races this term. But each time he has shown promise; initially when finishing fifth behind Charter Party at Kempton on Boxing Day and more recently when fourth be-hind You're Welcome, Castle Warden and Door Latch at

Warden and Door Latch at Sandown.
Judged on that performance alone, Phundering should account for both Gallaher and Memberson who were behind him, especially as I thought that he ran as if just in need of o race. And, upon reflection, he probably was.
Along with all Fred Winter's horses, he had been let down for a while at the end of January while they were inoculated against the virus which had created such havoc in the stables during mid-winter. Against that backcloth it was heartening to see the stable bounce back with

during mid-winter. Against that backcloth it was heartening to see the stable bounce back with two winners at Cheltenham.

To fancy Plundering as much as I do today, it is necessary to cast the mind back to the spring of 1984 when he finished a close fourth in the Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown after winning the Golden Miller Handicap Chase over today's distance at Cheltenham.

At Sandown he was involved.

Cheltenham.

At Sandown he was involved in that unforgettable finish with Special Cargo, Lettoch and Diamond Edge and was beaten only two lengths; at Cheltenham he just managed to hold Ashley House and Drumlargan at bay. That form had a very suild look about it at the time and earlier that season Plundering had won over three miles and a furlong at Wincanton and 34 miles at Wincanton and 31/4 miles at Wolverhampton, further endors-

PLUNDERING is supped to with BARGE POLE (2.0) and PEGWELL BAY (4.30) and can also take the Ardington Novices'
Chase with Western Sunset's
younger brother, POLAR SUNSET. The last-named has been
on my short list of borses to
follow since he showed such promise in his only steeplechas

> Interest in today's other jumping card at Ladlow is fuelled by the presence of RIVA ROSE in the field for the Malden Timber Novices' Hurdle qualifier. Novices' Furnie quanter. A winner three times already. Jeany Pitman's nice young horse excelled himself at Ascot when, despite his young rider losing his irons at the last hurdle, he beat Wagoner and Piere Celvina exhecusants and River Ceiriog, subsequently an easy winner at the Cheltenham

Those who were at Chelten those who were at Chemeham eight days ago and witnessed the whirlwind finish of
BRUNICO in the Trinmph
Hardle will be looking to Tim
Thomson Jones to get him going
a bit sooner in the Haywards
Pickle Stakes at Doncaster.

Pickle Stakes at Doncaster.

FOOT PATROL (3.15),
MEADOWBROOK (3.45) and
JAZETAS (5.15) all look likely
winners for Pat Eddery, especially Jazetas, who performed
with a degree of promise in his
only race as a two-year-old when
fourth at Newmarket behind
Goy Harwood's 2,000 guineas
hope, Dancing Brave.

Vertige best

Vertige (Eric Legrix) can win today's group three Prix Exbury of Saint-Cloud despite the lack of a recent outing (Our French Racing Correspondent writes). Stella Grande and Pas De Choix, both of whom have run this season, look his most dangerons rivols. Furmerly trained by Henry Cecil, Vertige is sure to have been given plenty of work on Patrick Biancone's Wolverhampton, further endorsing my view that today's distance is his ideal.

Tim Forster has a good chance of winning both divisions of the March Novices' Hurdle

## First for Matthews great start for Mel Brittain and his new stable jockey, Kevin Darley, with Bluemede winning the Philip Cornes Brocklesby Stakes. It was a brave perfor-mance by this Blue Cashmere and the cost with 1500 primess.

Tivian, a winner on the open-ing day of the Flat season last year, repeated the performance in the Bertie Bassett Handicap at Doncaster yesterday. The Busted gelding, who ran in the Derby when trained by Clive Brittain, was giving the young Newmarket trainer, Ian Matthews, a success with his first runner on the Flat. Bluemede is B tough little borse, has had plenty of work and

Tivian struck the front at the Tivian struck the front at the two-furlong marker and went on two beat Pagan Sent by I½ lengths. Matthews said: "I started to train ou my own account last autumn and I've had about a dozen runners over jumps with five seconds.

The season also got off to a

ET-30; DF: 24.70. CSF: 221.02.1 min 40.34
sec.
4.15 (Sh) 1, ROVE (J Lowe, 4-1); 2,
Amber Clown (N Carisle, 14-1); 3, Mayor (D Nichols, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav The
Hilcote Club (4th),11-2 Rumeway, 6-1 Ole
Pio, 10-1 Ken Siddall, My Derya, Saw High
Sim), 16-1 Percepto, 20-1 Rumming Rambow, 25-1 Bradbury Half (6th), 33-1
Plamter, 13 ran. M; 1, 11/1, 1/1, 15/1, 5
Norton at Barnstey, Tote: 24.00; 22.20.
54.10, 52.70. DF: 272.60. CSF: 258.55.
Tricest: 2507.95.1 min 08.02 sec.
4.45 (tm 2) 1, BALGOWNBE (S P
Griffiths, 20-1; 2, Petchharg (J H Brown,
14-1); 3, Lewely Betterdly (A Munro, 33-1);
4, Duelling (S Carter, 11-4 fav), ALSO
RAN: 6-1 Bechagette, Parts Trader, 9-1
Decks Polly, (D-1 Jole's Girl, Ridgefield,
12-1 Absonant, Noble Mount, 14-1
Silyboot (8th), Take A Card (5th), 20-1
Miss Morley, Screes, 33-1 North Sea
Sem, Coded Love, Letby, 18 ran. 141,
ric, 241, 34, 61, 14 Muhral at York, Tote:
5275.50, 24.00; 58.30; 513.40; 51.20. OF:
Werner or anyother horse £7.40. CSF:
52778.20. Tricest: \$28.056.18. 2min 21.05

Relative, Harbour Bezzar, Johnny Frenchman, The Counties. Weish Guard, Keradem, Nikoola Eve, Stonebroker (5th). 30 ran. ¼, 1, 7, hd, 3. M Tompkins at Newmerket, Tote: £50.00; £12.80. £3.60.

Towcester

Going: good to soft
2.0 (2m hdie) 1, Whenry Burn (K
Mooney, 20-11; 2, Shoringo (25-1); 3,
Clearty Burt (9-2 fav), 17 min, NR; Lucky
Blow, 0, 3, 17 min, NR; Lucky Blow, 1
Dudgeon Tote: £18.40, £3.90, £42.0,
2.90 (3m ch) 1, Veleso (P Scutemore, 7-1; 2, Caste Warden (9-4 fav); 3, Sonny)
May (58-1), 11 min, 14, 15; J. King, Tote:
£3, 10; £2.20, £1.10, £37.80 DF: £17.40,
CSF: £22.40, TRICAST: £278.21,
3.0 (2m) 1, Seegoushound (M Brennen,
33-1; 2, Bigee (12-1); 3, Orbital
Manoeuvers (20-1); 4, Woodland View
(33-1), Infinity Rules (5-2 fav), 20 min, NR;
Winart, 1%1, nk; 0, Brennan, 10te: £70.20,
£9.80, £3.90, £2.50, £7.20, DF: £66.80,
CSF: £32.67, TRICAST: £7.100, 94,
3.30 (3m 180yd) 1, Runy (Mr J Wrashai), 3.30 (3m 190yd) 1, Rugy (Nr J Wrathall, 13-8 fav); 2, Gata Prince (4-1); 3, Honourable Man (9-1); 18 ran, NF: Naugmy Niece, 2, 251, R Westving, Tota: 52.80; 1:90, 21.50, 23.50. DF: £4.30. CSF: £3.30. 4.0 (2m 5f ch) 1, Brass Change (M Richards, 11-2); 2, Jubilee Lights (33-1); 3, My Major (20-1). Cakley House (3-1 fev).

Sagaro dies

Sagaro, the only horse to wio the Ascol Gold Cup three times, died of a heart attack at the Emral Stud, Clwyd, yesterday. Trained in France by Francoi Boutin, Sagaro dominated the top European stayers' races and

Doncaster results
Golog good
2.45 (67). BLUEMEDE (K Derley, 4-1):
2.AUTHENTIC (T Ivos. 2-1 lav); 3. Panboy
(C Costes. 10-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Lauries
Warrior (4th), 0-1 Blose Deat (Peter
Hobs, 16-1): 2.4gra Knight (13-6 lav); 3.
Whither Goest Thour (3-1), 17 ran. Lady
Klaine, 17-1, Lucadeo, Team Etfort. (6th), 12-1
Akuntag (5th), 8 ran. 14, 4h, 4h, 4j, 14, 14
Brittain at Warthill. Tote: £15.40; £1.50,
£1.20, £3.10. DP; £19.50. CSF: £1.81. 1
nain 08.49 sec.
2. 3.15 (1m 4f) 1. TIVVAN (N Day, 7-1); 2.
Pagas San (B Thomson, 6-1); 3. Regati
Sheel (A Culbane, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 10030 tav Honsydew Wonder, 10-1 Gay
Capitain, Rostinerne (4th), 11-1 Virtage
Toll (5th), 12-1 Golden Pancy, Kentucky
Cuest, 14-1 Bold Connection, Four Star
Thrust, 20-1 Dick Knight (6th), 23-1
Bamdoro, 33-1 Holy Soark, 14 ran. 154,
sh-hd, 1%, 2, 2. I Methows at Newmarket, Tote: £5.10, £1.70, £1.60, £2.90.
DP: £27.80. CSF: £46.55. Tricast £428.74.
2 min 45.56 sec.
3.45 (1m) 1, MAC'S REEF (G Starkey, 91): 2. Treenblant (P Robitson, 9-4).
ALSO RAN: 5-2 Sulsatah (4th), 4 ran. 154,
Sh-hd, 154. M Ryen at Newmarket, Tote: £7.30; DF: £4.70. CSF: £21.02. 1 min 46.34
sec.
4.15 (5) 1, ROWE (J Lowe, 4-1): 2.

16 ran. 181, 121. 1 Dudgeon. Tote: £5.30.
22.80, £18.80, £5.30. DF: Winner or 2nd with any other £2.80. CSF: £18.61, 57.

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Whither Goest Thour £2.80. CSF: £19.10, 2.10.

28.10. £170, £19.00. CSF: £2.50.

colt, who cost only 1,500 guineas at the Newmarket sales.

Darley, B former champio

apprentice, said: "I wasn't wor-ried when Authentic passed us.

wants company. Once Authentic

TRAINERS: F White, 58 winners from 216 runners, 26.8%; T Forster, 15 from 68, 22.9%; D Nicholson, 34 from 164, 20.7%. JOCKEYS: P Soudamora, 41 winners from 200 ridos, 20.9%; H Davies, 24 from 145, 16.6%.

TRAINERS: J Edwards, 14 winners from 63 namers, 22.2%: Mrs M Rimell, 16 from 65, 20.0%: B Presect, 7 from 35, 19.4%. JOCKEYS: P Warmer, 12 winners from 55 rides, 18.5%; J J O'Neill, 5 from 29, 17.2%; G Jones, 0 from 55, 10.5%.

#### **NEWBURY**

, nn	MARC	H NOVICE HURDLE (Div 1:£2,171:2m 100yd) (	26 runners)
102	P-	ARCTIC CAMP (M Peyton) F Walnyn B-11-7	
103	_2	BARGE PULE (LDM Chelses) T A POISSE 5-11-7	
107	42-	CHECK IT OUT (B Brazier) FT Winter 8-11-7	العقاد المدار المدار
108	9	COMYN LEGEND (Mrs E Boucher) J T Gillord 5-11-7	Peter modes
110	8/0-	DESTROY (USA) (Adept 80 Ltd) D R Elsworth 7-11-7	C Brown
111	. 0	DESTROY (USA) (Adept 80 Ltd) D'R Elsworth 7-11-7	_ R DUNWOODY
112	5-0F2	FASRY FARE EM (1 Chica) J Chica D-11-7	/ Humonreys (/)
113		EASTERN ERRELEE (Mrs D DOTRO) ** YF DOTRO **-11-/	- WH W LINES - 13
114		FEDERAL TROOPER (P Bonner) P D Hayries 5-11-7	A Webb
115		FREWORKS MIGHT (1 Pose) N J Henderson 7-11-7	A Public process
120	P	KE HAGAR (D Strath) P D Haynes 5-11-7 480RAL VICTORY (Mrs K Permi) G B Balding 5-11-7	J Lovejoy
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131		MUNICIPAN IE II	
132	000	SNOW MALLARD (Number Company) 0 Ancil 5-11-7	G MCCOUR
135	لله	SUPER ENERGY (Mrs M Slade) J T Gettord 5-11-7	Peter Hobbs
139	PP	BESSE MARY (A Souch) A Souch 6-11-2	
141	r_	DEPONENTS DEFUGIAT (F. Innes) F.W. Jones 7-11-2	
147	OPO	CLASSIC ANTHONY (Mrs. N Pride) M Maddwck 4-11-0	A Madgwick
148			
151	DOP.	KALA PANI (B Uden) I J Cox 4-11-0	C_Cos.(4)
153	FO	MASTER MUSTARD (C Read) G P Read 4-11-0	B Powel
154	OUO	MISHRIF (J Bird) A Moore 4-11-0	iss C Moore (7)
156	0000	PALACE YARD (J Coward) J R Jankes 4-11-0	J White
160	000	SON OF LAVENKAM (Mrs. J. Nicolades) J. R. Jenkins 4-11-0	D Moma (7)
166		CLERROW Date (I) Congrig M 1286 - 11-0  KALA PARI (B Uden) I J Cor 4-11-0  MASTER MUSTARD (C Road) G P Read 4-11-0  MASTER MUSTARD (C Road) G P Read 4-11-0  PALACE VARD (I Coverd) J R Jerkons 4-11-0  SON OF LAVERIASM (Mrs. J Nicolades) J R Jenkins 4-11-0  HOSEE COME (M Smith) Mrs P Sly 4-16-9	M Bastard
9	<b>4</b> 8300e	Pole. 4-1 Moral Victory. 5-1 Easby Emplem, 6-1 Check & Cul	, 6-1 Fireworks
-	16-1 Flow	of Coder, 14-1 Arctic Camo, Mishrif, 20-1 others.	

#### Newbury selections

By Mandarin 2.0 Barge Pole. 2.30 Polar Sunset. 3.0 PLUNDERING (nap). 3.30 Marshell Key. 4.0 Bishops Yarn. 4.30 Pegwell Bay. Michael Seely's selection: 3.30 MARSHELL KEY (nap).

2.30 ARDINGTON NOVICE CHASE (£2,848:3m) (19)

203	PP2442	BACKLOG (J Dattori) J N Detron 8-11-9
204		CAPTAIN COURAGE (NZ) (Mrs G Benney) D Nicholson 8-11-8 P Scudemore
205		COMMONTY (USA) (H Porter) G A Bet 8-11-8 J H Davies
208	120/22F	DICTIVE (A Wilson) P. G. Amintage 9-11-8
209	0/P-4F04	FITZHERBERT (B) (A Ford) L G Kennard 8-11-8 B Powell
210	PPP-344	HAYSTACK'S FLYER (Mrs A Sisson) P Hayward 11-11-8
211	000-300	HIGHLAND CHATTER (Hunt & Co Ltd) T & Bulgin 7-11-8 W Newton
žiż	P-UIJ433	HOPEFUL SAINT (T King) W King 8-11-8
216	044000	HOWAREYOUGOING (G P S Print Ltd) S Mellor 7-11-8 M Harrington
215	222003	LEAN OFF (T Wriggs) R A Perkins 8-11-8
217	0P-000F	NELOTS BOY (A Soskin) R Voorspuy 8-11-8 R Rowell
219	0000-33	PHARAORYS OWN (J Davis) J H Baker 6-11-8 B Wright
219	***************************************	PRINCORE (Mrs F Harvey) G B Balding 7-11-8
520	00101-4	POLAR SUNSET (Mrs P O'Connor) T A Forster 8-11-8 H Davies
275	040-020	BAY PROSSER (BF) (Queen Mother) F Walwyn 15-11-8 K Mooney
200		RISK A BET IMrs A Shappard) Mrs V Mckie 7-11-8 Mr I McKie
220 221 222 224	3F03F4	ROYAL GAMEIT (S Embricos) J T Gifford 6-11-8 Peter Hobbs
226		WHITSUNDAY (Lt Col J Chemberlayne) N J Handerson 7-11-8 S Smith Eccles
	202-000	WYE LEA (G Johnson) J A Edwards 7-11-8 Mr M Richards
:	3-1 Poter S	enset, 4-1 Pherceh's Own, 9-2 Fitzherbert, 11-2 Hopeful Saint, 7-1 Ray Prosser,
0-1	Whasunda	y, Royal Gambit, 12-1 others.

3.00 WOODHAY HANDICAP CHASE (£3,563:3m 2f 82yd) (16)

1	1 302 30-0-00 CHILDREN (C) (C DEC III) F WERNIN TO I I TO THE TO THE MEDICAL
ı	303 1214/04 PLUMDERING (Mrs M Valentine) FT Winter 9-11-9 B de Hean
j	304 41-1P04 BRIGHT DREAM (H Joen) J T Gifford 16-11-6
١	S07 OP-23PO BALLYMEAN (C) (F Sheridan) F Shendan 8-11-0
ı	309 1F11-00 GOLDEN KNOLL (Mrs J McKachnie) S Mellor 7-10-11 O Landau (7)
ı	310 1P3110 MEMBERSON (P Dulosee) P Dulosee 8-10-11
ı	31S 30-0222 CO MEMBER (C-Dy(BF) (Mrs J Finding) T A Forster 10-10-5 H Devies
ı	314 134-003 SAUMDERS (Nrs L Clay) T Clay 12-10-5
ı	
ı	315 033210 ROYSCAR (RF) (J Chann) J Chann 9-10-4 R Milman
ı	310 2020-F4 TRISKA (8) (A Hum) L G Kennard 10-10-3
ı	317 1211P0 CRACK A JOKE (C Randle) T T Bill 7-10-2 R Crank
ı	316 232032 ST ALEZAN (Lord Covenery) M Tate 9-10-0
ı	321 0200-PO ALMIGHTY ZEUS (B) (D Hodges) R J Hodges 9-10-0 S McNell
ı	321 0200-PO ALMIGHTY ZEUS (B) (D Honges) R J Hodges 9-10-0 S McNeil 325 0-00004 BRONCHO'S COUSEII (W McKenzie-Coles) W G M-Coles 11-10-0 M Flichards
ı	327 03-PPOF HIGHLAND DRAKE (Miss A Cornish) I P Wardle 13-10-0 K Townsend (7)
ı	328 313433/ SPINNING REEL (H Barnes) Miss P Barnes 10-10-0 M Basterd
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۱	7-2 Plundering, 4-1 Bright Dream, 5-1 St Alexen, 6-1 Co-Member, 8-1 Golden Knoll, 10-1
ľ	Memberson, Crack A Joka, 12-1 Saunders, 20-1 others.
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ı	3.30 RAILWAY CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE
	3.30 RAILWAY COMDITIONAL GOODLIG TREESTON TOTAL

(£2,824:2m	100ya) (21)	
402 121-000	JOY RIDE (C Cowley) J 5 King 6-11-12	. G Landeu (7)
4/15 /011120	RIBORFILE (T Chandler) M C Pros 5-11-5	J Lower
407 20-00F3	MARSHELL KEY IR Gunner Mrs J Primar 8-11-3	M O'Callaghan
408 030/11-	FAST LADY (A Stirano) N J Henderson 7-11-2	N Fearn
410 F0F- 231	RUSTSTONE (A Brown) R L BRown 6-10-13	J Brown
412 320-211	PANTO PRINCE (Mrs L. Warren) L. G. Kennard 5-10-10	D Mustow
413 D14-122	MOIAN MAJOR (BF) (Miss P Barnes) Miss P Barnes 9-10-8	M Bosley
415 <b>NOO400</b>	JADE AND DIAMOND (B) (F) Levelle) G B Balding 8-10-6	R Guest
417 000000	GALLANT BUCK (BYC-D) (J Stott) D R Elsworth 6-10-5	P Holley
421 402000	SANHEDRIN (FR) (O Thome) G B Balding 9-10-0	A Charlton
422 0-32300	WILD CORN (B Akerman) W E Fisher 7-10-0	T Gibson
423 00/3P1-0	IMPLICATION (USA) (F Crouch) A Moore 7-10-0	Power
424 301P21/	MELITARY BAND (FR) (I) Ringer) D & Hinger 8-10-0	I HOWES
425 3/3PF-11	PUNTERS LAD (Mrs D Oughton) D A Oughton 0-10-0	
428 C000U6	JEMLIAMS (G Shoemark) A Turnell 8-10-0	B Galvin
434 10-00	ARCONADA (T Pearce) P J Jones B-10-0	. W McFanand
435 P-0F300	ALETIS (P Gregori) Mrs A Finch 5-10-0	T Bathe
435 30-020P	THE PROCESSOR (J HUTST) R Howe 5-10-0	P Howe
438 1P/OFP 0	SUMMERCOVE (K Higson) A Moore 10-10-0	P Comgan
439 00/0427	JACK BILLMEIR (K Cundelt) P D Cundel 0-10-0	C Haywood
	MAJAM (USA) (C Wildman) C P Wildman 7-10-8	
9-2 Marsh	ell Key, 5-1 Panto Prince, 11-2 Rusistone, 8-1 Fast Lady, 6-1	Antiobelia, 10-1
Indian Major, 12	2-1 Galtant Buck, Wild Corn, 14-1 Jade And Diemond, 18-1 othe	rs.

up again."  Brittain, who has trained his	Indian Major, 12-1 Gallant Buck, Wild Corn, 14-1 Jaco And Diemond, 16-1 others.
own borses with considerable	4.00 KENCOT HANDICAP CHASE (£3,007:2m 4f) (8)
success since 1984, is in his first season with a public licence.	502 13F-PtP BELGROVE LAD (D) (S Samsbury) T A Forster 8-11-3
16 ran. 15l, 12l.   Dudgeon Tote : £5.90;	504 UF-01F1 BISHOPS YARN (D) (Brosh Thoroughbred R & B Pic) G B Balding 7-10-12 (6th ex)K Moone
E2.80, £18.80, £5.30, DF; Winner or 2nd with any other £2.80, CSF; £161.67. 4.30 (2m hole) 1, Blue Dart (Peter	505 13UPFF SiLVER WIND (0) (Shelich All Abu Khemish) Mrs M Rimel 7-10-9 P Soudemor 506 401423 PURKA MAJOR (USA) (L Little) O Sherwood 5-10-0 G Cox (4 508 PDO-F71 ECHO SOURDER (0) (Lady Vestey) T A Forster 7-10-0 R Dytwood
Hobbs, 16-1); 2.Agra Knight (13-8 fav); 3, Whither Goest Thou (33-1), 17 ran, Lady	509 24P032 MEMBRIDGE (P Dufosee) P Dufosee 11-10-0 B Power 511 P02P00 BLACK EARL (A Greig)   P Wordle 9-10-0 P Deve
Killane. 1%l, 2l. J Gifford, Tote : £10.00; £2.10, £1.70, £5.90. OF: £63.30. CSF:	11-4 Echo Sounder, 3-1 Pukila Mejor, 7-2 Bishops Yam, 6-1 Rhythmic Pastimes, 8- Belgrove Lad, 12-1 Silver Wind, 14-1 others.

4.30 MARCH NOVICE HURDLE (Div 2-52-125:2m 100vd) (27)

609  OU EVETRAP (ARS P Harras) P W Harris 5-11-7  R Stock 611  HANSEL'S RUN (P Harras) Miss E Sneyd 5-11-7  B Pon P HIVE OFF (A Acton) D R Eleworth 5-11-7  G Brd 613  OP OUR JARREY EDWARDS (Dr D Chesney) D Chesney 5-11-7  CO B P NEW ROUNEY (R 6 A Bott Ltd) F T Winter 5-11-7  CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) O Showwood 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) J Wobber 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) J Wobber 5-11-7  G CO S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A Chepmen) J Wobber 5-11-7  G S SIGNALIAMAN (Mrs A P SN) Mrs P SN 5-11-2  M B S S S EWE LAMB (Mrs P SN) Mrs P SN 5-11-2  G S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S	7.00		II ISO A LOT HOUSET (DIS TOTAL INDICES 100)	
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Going: good to soft

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1	142	FORT RUPERT (D) P Walwyn 11-5	) PLOWING	
4	01	SUPER REGAL (D) Mrs M Fixnell 11-6 G	WCCOURT	
8	0100	TOPSOIL (D) D Wintle 11-5	A Cerroll	
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	2.15 Fort Rupert. 2.45 Border Burg. 3.15 Riva Rose. 3.45 Majuba Road. 4.15 Ishkomann. 4.45 Lochboisdale. 5.15 Ring Lou.
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	5 00-0 LONESOME PARK (B) Mrs A Price 10-12-0 Miss L Walkace (7) 6 10-3 SPARTAR RAMBLER (C-D)(BF) H Husby 8-12-0 COTcole (7)
	7 030- BACHELOR LAD D R Price 11-11-9
	13 OPP. SPECIAL VIEW Mrs. I Berry 7-11-8
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3.15 M (Qualifier		TIMBER (18)	NOVICES	HURDLE
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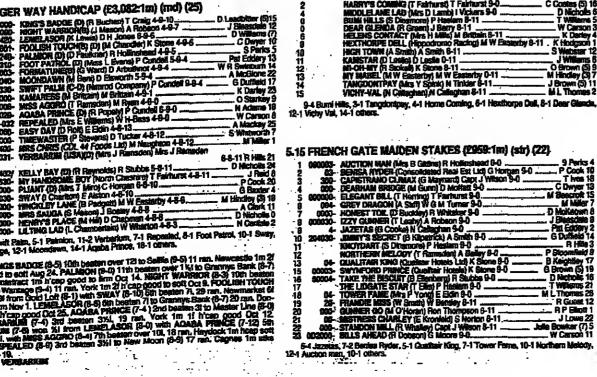
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## Warren steers Sibson away from Graham in search for the top

as the official challenger for and we may even gel Graham the European middleweight and Tony fighting as No.1 and title held by his arch-rival, No.2." Warren said. "The Herol Graham, of Sheffield, longer that fight waits the Herol Graham, of Sheffield, longer that fight waits the After the successful defence of more money it will make." the Commonwealth title against Umaru Sanda, of Ghawon every round, Sibson had a talk with his adviser and promoter, Frank Warren, and decided to give up the chase.

Believeing that the Sheffield middleweight with the fancy footwork would lead him a dance that in the end could prove a waste of time, Sibson is to concentrate on getting into the top contenders' list by another route

Sibson said yesterday: "I want Graham badly. In fact, Frank and I have had rows about it. But I realize that Graham is looking for a world title and not looking to fight me at the moment."

Marvin Hagier retires at the beginning of next year after equalting or beating Carlos Monzon's record of 14 defences. Then Sibson will be in Sanda with shots that would have "taken out" many an opponent. But Sibson, who was having only his second bout after an enforced lay-off of 14 months, said: "I wanted

Tony Sibson has withdrawn the eliminators for the title to get a few rounds under my Sibson could start his climb

in the rankings by taking on Dong de Witt, the world No.10, next month and later meet the winner of the bout between Don Lee, who knocked him out in eight rounds, and James Kinchen. Sibson also has the otion of accepting a challenge for his Commonwealth title from Hunter Clay, of Nigeria, who together with his compatriot. Billy Famous, will be working under Gary Davidson at the Thomas A Becket.

"It is time for Sibson to go," Clay said. "He could not knock down Sanda yesterday. I knocked him down seven times in two fights." This seemed a valid boast in view Warren wants Sibson to be of the fact that Sibson hit

skill and brains that matter. I hit him with some good shots but he remained stone faced and just kept sticking his jab

The explosion came in the ninth round — not from Sibson but from a small group of people in the more expensive seats a few rows from ringside who suddenly blew up and started throwing punches and chairs at each other. Nobody knows why. Our man was winning round after round after all. It was like something out of a John Wayne movie where every-body starts getting into the act when Wayne is beating up the probably started by one of the gremlins that crept into my report of the bout and had you believing that the riot was carried into the ring. Warren, who denies that chairs were hurled, said that at his next sbow at Alexandra Pavilion he will have snatch squads from a leading security firm and video cameras to keep an eye on

## World title bout for Andries

It could be April in Paris for the British light-heavyweight swayed the issue. Steene said swayed the issue, Steene said water the swayed the issue. Steene said water the indicated the against Williamson. Dennis is elated. Few boxers could expect a first chance at the world title after the age of 30."

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Frank Brino has given up at European heavyweight title, rather than be forced into a defence against a little known Dutchman, Van den Oetelaar, which neither he nor his manager, Terry Lawless, wants.

made however until the third division club have had further

talks on ground-sharing with their neighbours, Bristol City and the local council, Rovers are

want to sellout to developers. Rovers' chairman, Denis Dunford said yesterday that his board would reach a decision

Smith's

final dream

manager. Jim Smith, could miss

out on a fairy-tale return against his former club, Oxford United.

in next month's Milk Cup final at Wembley after his "sending-off" at Chelsea on Wednesday night. Smith was ordered away by the Leicestershire referee, Howard Taylor, in the last rejected to the last rejected to

minute of the I-1 draw.
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The Rangers' manager left the discount to argue over an incident involving Rougvie, the Chelsea full back, and his goal-scoring substitute, Kerslake. Smith may have to explain himself before an FA disciplinary inquiry. If be is found guilty of bringing the game into disrepute, be could be kept from the Wembley dus-out.

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The value of Sheedy to

Everton when it comes to dead-

ball situations was never better illustrated than in the 3-1 Screen

Sports Super Cup semi-final victory over Tottenham at Goodison Park. He had a hand

in all three goals in his club's extra-time fightback through Heath, Mountfield and Sharp.

division promotion hopes with a 2-t win at Bradford, while the

third division leaders, Reading, had to thank o last minute goal

from Senior for their 2-1 win

over Rotherham. Reading's cap-tain, Hicks, has been ruled out

Chariton boosted their second

The Queen's Park Rangers

before the end of May.

## Critics invited to view plastic pitch

Luton Town, fighting back in the controversy over plastic pitches, have invited the chair-men of all 91 other League clubs

on Wednesday. Also ready to step in for Wales, if required, are goalkeeper, Andrew Dibble (Lu-ton), Dave Williams (Norwich), pitches, have invited the chairmen of all 91 other League clubs to a meeting at Kenilworth Malcolm Mallen (Watford).

Bristol Rovers have agreed in principle to share Bath City's ground when they leave Eastville Stadium after next season. No final decision will be

Leicester and Coventry are leading the campaign against synthetic surfaces. They have the support of most of the first division clubs and will ask this summer's league annual general meeting to outlaw the installation of any more artificial pitches. Leicester have sent out a questionaire to every club, but John Smith, Luton's executive currently paying £55,000 a year director said yesterday. "We welcome a full debate on the subject, but the vast majority of football, but the stadium owners biect, but the vast majority of clubs have not had the opportunity to see our pitch." Smith is trying to set up an "open forum" for club chairmen at his club's ground before the end of the

Luton will conduct scientific tests on the pitch, and produce a dossier showing that injuries have been reduced since they introduced the surface. Luton's pitch satisfies strict criteria set by the Sports Council. Dean Saunders, Brighton's young forward is one of five players put on stand-by for Wales' match against the

#### Anderlecht warning to their rivals

Agencies — Barcelona, con-querors of Juventus, the hold-era, will be joined in today's European Cup draw in Geneva by Anderlecht, Steama Bucharest and Goteborg. Anderlecht have never won the European Cup but the manner of their 2-0 (3-2 on aggregate) win over the 1974-76 winners Bayern Munich 76 winners Bayern Munich suggests they would be worthy finalists.

Gateborg kept alive Scandina-

vian interest — albeit on oway goals — after drawing 0-0 with Aberdeen, to become the first Swedish club to reach the semifinals of the European Cup since Malmo in 1979. The Swedes, UEFA Cup winners in 1982, were favoured to go through following their 2-2 draw in Scotland two weeks ago. and goalkeeper Thomas Wernersson

was never really tested.

Bayer Uerdingen, of West
Germany, staged one of the
most remarkable comebacks in European football history in the Cup Winners' Cup when they scored six second-half goals against their East German visitors Dynamo Dresden. Dy-namo, 2-0 first leg winners, led 3-1 at half-time and must have been contemplating a semi-final appearance when Bayer unashed their six-goal avalanche. To add to Dynamo's discomfiture, one of their players was reported to have defected after the match.

#### triple fracture of the jaw. WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

SCREEN SPORT SUPER CUP: Semi-final second leg: Everton 3. Tottenhard Hotspur 1 (after extra line). Prayle 1 (agg 2.2 Dukla wir on away goals): Opnamo Ker 5, Rapid Vienna 1 (PRST DIVISIONE Acton Villa 2, West Hert United 1: Chelsea, 1 Queen's Park Town 0: Oxford United 2. Luton Rangers 1: Manchester United 2. Luton Town 0: Oxford United 1. Newcastle United 2. West Bromwich Albion 0, Covertry City 0. SECOND DIVISION: Bradford City 1. SECOND DIVISION: Derby County 2. Bristot City 0: Reading 2, Rotherham 1. Pourtin Division: Derby County 2. Bristot City 0: Reading 2, Rotherham 1. Pourtin Division: Eveter City 1. Peterborough 0. RESEARCH CITY MATCH. Peterborough 0. REPSEESFRITATIVE MATCH. The Actor City 1. Repsees 1. Peterborough 0. REPSEESFRITATIVE MATCH. Peterborough 0. Repsees 2. Rep POLITTH INVISIONE EXEST Cay 1, Poet-borough 0.
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REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: The Army 57, United Hospitals 0. CLUB MATCHES: Glamorgan Wanderers 12, Abenillery 9, Ebbw Vole 19, Lianelli 16. RUGBY LEAGUE SILK CUT CUP- Third round replay: Leads 6, Wiches 0. SLALOM LAGER CHAMPICKSHIP: Hull KR 10, Halliax 23; St Helens 28, Salford 10; Warrington 43, Hull 16, Second distators Weijschild 32, Blackpool 20.

#### Target for Barrow is stability

Non-League Football by Paul Newman

Barrow, who are facing relega-tion from the Gola League for the second time in four seasons, are hoping to appoint a new manager before their home game tomorrow against the leaders, Enfield. The Cumbrian club's caretaker player-manager, David Johnson, the former England forward, has resigned after failing to arrest a slide which has left them bottom of the table with only three wins in Barrow have experienced

torid time in the last 16 months, during which they have had five managers, Peter McDonnell, Brian Kidd, Bob Murphy, Maurice Whittle and Johnson. Bill McCullough, the chairman, said: "We have made mistakes in the past and our next manager has in be absolutely the right man for the inb. before the end of May.

• Luton have put on the transfer-list their defender, Ashley Grimes, aged 28, and midfield player, Andy King.

• Oxford United's League game against Arsenal at Manor Road jnb.

The club needs stability and the future. I

against Arschal at Manor Road nn April 19 has been rearranged because of Oxford's involve-ment in the Milk Cup final on April 20. The new date is Monday, May 5, two days after the nificial ending of the Footwe must build for the future. won't accept that we're relegated tainty, but the new manager won't be judged on whether be keeps us up or not. We want a manager with proven ability in semi-professional football and I Ban threat to already have someone lined up who fits the bill."

who fits the bill."

• A joint cup competition is to be staged from next season by the Gola League and its three "feeders", the Multipart, Vauxhall-Opel and Southern Leagues. The Premier Inter-League Cup will be contested by all 22 Gola clubs and 14 from each of the premier divisions of each of the premier divisions of the other three leagues, which will stage their own qualifying competitions. From the first competitions. From the first round proper onwards, the cup will be run on o one-leg knocknut basis. It will be drawn in regions until the semi-finals.

The competition will replace the Gola League's Bob Lord Trophy, but the three feeders will continue to run their own league cup competition. The will continue to run their own league cup competitions. The Gola League's Championship Shield, previously contested by the league champions and Boh Lord Trophy winners, will now feature the champions against the FA Trophy winners, provided the latter are from the Gola League.

Gola League.

The Gola League are to return to o system of three points for a win and nne for a draw. For the last two seasons, three points have been awarded for an away win, two for a home win and one

Peter Hunter, the Gola
League secretary, said: "We had
hoped this experiment would result in more attacking football, but although this happened at first the effect has not lasted. The system has also caused confusion at times and we want to get in line with the Football League in readiness for our promotion and relegation link with them."

● The Gola League will begin the 1986-87 season on August 16, a week earlier than usual. ● Two Multipart League clubs, South Liverpool and Hyde United, have announced plans in install artificial surfaces. South Liverpool's will be part of a redevelopment programme, backed by a local brewery, which includes a new clubhouse and improvements to the stand, dressing rooms and terracing. Hyde's ground will become part nf o sports complex being developed by their local council.

 David Pearce, the Barnet forward, has joined another Gola League club, Dagenham, for a small fee.



## Another first for the Light Blues

coxed the Cambridge eight in brother of the England cricketer, the Boat Race. Richard, and himself o cricket the Boat Race.

The Cambridge golf team Blue, believe that she is capable of Bot

believe that she is capable of handling the pressure and the course even from the men's tees. She has proved herself this term by winning half ber singles matches, and she is also a member of the England B squad, playing off a handicap of one. Having been surprised by a heavy defeat at Rye last year, Cambridge have been working harder at their preparations.

Both sides have had a poor record against the clubs and lost their final matches against Ganton (Oxford the more heavily, 15½ to 2½). Michael MacPhee, the Oxford captain, as trongest side. Oxford have six old Blues, including Karl Frearson, the secretary, whose harder at their preparations. Cambridge have been working mother, Mrs Diane Bailey, has harder at their preparations, played in the Curtis Cup. David lain Smith, their secretary, reparations, ported that "the attitude is having been left out last year. It better. With the necessary is expected to be a close match, commitment and concentration, we can avenge last year's defeat." However, he bemoaned times to Cambridge's 54, with the poor intake of golfers in the last two years, noting that carries to Cambridge's 54, with five halved.

Among the Cambridge new boys is Brian Bergstrom, an American Mrs. Accompany and Oriel, capt. K Freshron Charterhouse and Christ Church), O LI Bendall (Olchia and Oriel), M H Residen Mrs. Accompany and Oriel, Carterhouse and Existen, W H P Charterhouse and Existen White (Charterhouse and Existen). T E Dicksons (Bucknet) University and Koble). J E Rebase

and has already played in the University basketball match. He is a long hitter, and has played American football for Harvard.

David Meacher, who must be tired of being referred to as "the son of the Labour politician", deserves to be recognized purely for his golf, as be is arguably the best player at either university. With o simple and classical swing, he almost broke the Sparling (Torbridge and Trinity Hall).

Brasenose), T E Dickens (Bucknet University and Keble), I E Robson (Aberdeen University and Keble), O J Patenton (Aberdeen University and Keble), O J E Both (Aberdeen Univers

Fiona Macdonald today be- course record in winning the comes the first woman to win o cub championship of Highgate. Sold Blue when she tees off for the and his captain, Simon Ellis, Cambridge in the University are each playing fir the third match against Oxford at Ganton. In doing so, she follows in have a nucleus of three other old the wake of Sue Brown, who made the headlines when she could the Cambridge gight in the state of the Fundamental state. Both sides have had a poo

#### HOCKEY

#### Southgate in International position of more comfort

By Sydney Friskin

Hounstow were beaten 5-3 by Bromley in the premier division of the Pizza Express London League on the artificial turf pitch at Feltham on Wednesday night, Barnett (three) and Richards (two) scored for Bromley; Meakins (two) and Bhaura for Hounslow, who lost their un-beaten record and left Southgate, the champions, in a more comfortable position at the top of the table. But Hounslow, provided they win their four provided they win their four remaining matches, can still overhaul Southgate, whn have nnly one match left to play.

Bishop's Stortford, who have three matches left, are of the top of the premier division in the Norwich Union East League with a total of 33 points, followed by Bedford, who have played the same number of sames and have 29 points.

national tournament in New Zealand which was fixed for next month. New Zealand television will not show the match, so the sponsors have withdrawn. There is a possibility that Australia may take it nn, but time is running short.

These last two tournaments greatly affect Canada, whose played the same number of sames and have 29 points. games and have 29 points.

East Grinstead have tightened their grip at the top of the
premier division in the McEwan's Lager South League, having earned 31 points from 13

#### tournaments are cancelled By Joyce Whitehead

This is proving a difficult year for players and organizers in women's hockey and money plays a large part. First the World Cup championship was moved from Vancouver to Amsterdam; the days have been Amsterdam: the dates have been changed from July to August 15

Now the international tour-nament in Moscow, arranged for this week, has been can-celled, as too has the international tournament in New Zealand which was fixed for 14 and the European champi-France, from June 18 to 21.

greatly affect Canada, whose plans for building up to the World Cup brought them to Britain on February 10 for o sixweek tour ending in Moscow, and were to move on to New Yangard Zealand. The Wales national club

matches with two matches ehampionship semi-finals remaining. On their heels are brought one surprise last Sun-Indian Gymkhama with a total of 29 points and one game still to be played. In each of these played, in each of these awin and one for a draw.

Drought One Surprise ast Suindian Gymkhama with a total of sea 2-0. They will meet Cwbran, who defeated Penarth 1-0 on leagues there are three points for a win and one for a draw.

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DUTCH CUP: Payencord 1, Fortuna Sitzard 2.

TENNIS

#### BASKETBALL

#### Leicester aim to be outrageous again

By Nicholas Harling

So little in basketbail is certain that not even Team Polycell Kingston's success in the Carlsberg National Championship play-off finals that begin at Wembley tonight can be guaranteed. Kingston start their semi-final against Walkers Crisps Leicester as overwhelming favourites to add the championship to their Prudential Cun triumbh in January, but tain that not even Team Polycell tial Cup triumph in January, but there have been so many sur-prise results in the play-offs and eague that another one cannot be ruled out.

Not the least of those shocks was Leicester's eclipse of the league champions, Sharp Manchester United, on their own Stretford court in a decisive quarter-final play-off two weeks ago. Allen Loonin, the Leicester coach, predicted, somewhat outrageously, shortly beforeoutrageously, shortly before-hand that two of the top three clubs in the league would fail to reach Wembley. With Leicester putting paid to United and Binningham Ballets disposing of the third placed club, Ports-month, his forecast came true. Leicester are one of only four clubs to have beaten Kingston in the league over the past two years. Although they were ul-timately outplayed in their last league meeting seven weeks ago, Leicester had dominated the early proceedings.

Loonin, who complained loud and long after the Kingston game that Bontrager, the home team's guard, had been given preferential treatment by the officials, will no doubt be watching closely tonight. Bontrager, Davis and Clark will have to

Davis and Clark will have to maintain their recent compelling form to keep Kingston on course for the title they missed out on last year when Manchester United beat them in a memorable final.

Crystal Palsee, another team to have beaten Kingston recently in the league, take on Birmingham in the first semifinal, it will be just like old times with these two clubs facing each with these two clubs facing each other at Wembley: in three successive seasons from 1978 to 1980 they featured in the final, Palace winning on each

young, tall and promising side which might just break into the top eight of the premier western European tournament. That, for

England's men, would be o giant's step forward.

IN BRIEF

## Cambridge keep \* their composure under pressure

evitably ended up with a clash of blades and Italian arms once again waving in the air. The Italians had about half o length at the time. Cambridge had shown though that they not only have troop but also do not an account

have pace but also do not go to

pieces under pressure.
Oxford on Wednesday evening concentrated on rowing an

eight rather than rowing as eight individuals. This they achieved

but they could not match the pace of the national squad eight, who took one half-length, one two-thirdsand two three-quarter lengths over four one-minute rows.

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TODAY'S OUTRIGS (from Putney): Cambridge 10.30 and 4.30; Oxford 10.45 and 3.0.

This year's Boat Race crews seem to lose every time they go out. Oxford understandably went down to o national squad eight on Wednesday evening and yesterday morning Cambridge gave way to a multi-talented Italian eight. Both crews are, it has to be said, chancing their arm against the best available.

Cambridge's opponents. Campania Gen Set, will be a leading contender for Saturday's Head of the River race. As a new entry last year the Italians started 350th and came through to finish seventh — no mean performance. Their boat this year is packed with Olympic and world medal winners.

The first attempt to race ended before a stroke was rowed, with the Italians throwing their hands in the air to indicate that they were not ready or rather Cambridge were a seat or two up. Eventually there was a 90-second row and Campania, rating over 40 immediately, moved out to 14 lengths and looked very impressive.
Before the second row the

Italians decided they needed surgery on their boat. The row was to have lasted three minutes but finished in two with a crash,

though there was only a canvas between the crews before the debacle. The third combat in-**YACHTING** Sponsors appalled

at about-turn

From Barry Pickthall, Punta del Este

Seseia Viking, the last of the Whithread Round the World Race yachts to reach the stop-over port, Rear Admiral Charles Williams, chairman of the race committee, has surprised many here by aunouncing that the course for the 1988-89 event will again include the South African

Palaee winning on each occasion.

Paul Stimpson, of Palace, is the only survivor from those meetings, and the England international could inspire Palace to another win if he plays as well as he did in belping his club defeat Manchester Giants in their recent decisive play-off at Altincham, Palace will be sponsored for the first time by Simod, the Italian leisure wear manufacturers.

Birmingham, however, will be anything but a pushover, The way they played at Portsmouth in the quarter-final play-offs to defeat that expensively assembled club twice in three days, precipitating the departure of the home team's coach, Danny Palmer, they could beat any other English team.

the race to call at Perth, Anckland, Punta del Este and, for the first time, New York before returning to Portsmouth, but the stopover in Australia has now been discounted.

Some sponsors' sentatives are appalled by the decision and have indicated that decision and have indicated that their companies will now find it hard to justify entering the race again. One representative of Equity and Law, the insurance and hanking group spousoring the Dutch entry skippered by Pleus van der Lugt, said yesterday: "The decision facing the committee is really no different to that four years ago when Britain was at war with Argentina and they decided not to tina and they decided not to return to Mar del Plata this time

race chairman that is sure to bring cheers to many sailing enthusiasts outside the rarified world of IOR racing however is the introduction of a separate open to yachts between 60 and 100 foot overall.

VOLLEYBALL

## England hope to raise their stock

By Paul Harrison

Andrew Loweznowski, the England mee's national coach, has had one aim during his four-year tenures to produce an chance of progressing from their year tenures to produce an England team which has some credibility in Europe. The Spring Cup competition in Aus-tria in the middle of next month pool. For preparation they had last weekend's two matches against Scotland and to come there are two matches in tria in the middle of next month represents perhaps his best—possibly last—chance to raise English stock on the Continent. Lack of time for preparation has hampered both him and Barry Swann, the women's natinnal coach. Nevertheless, Loweznowski takes to Austria a women all and promising side Switzerland and five days training at Lilleshall.
England lost the first match in Scotland 3-2, but recovered

their nerve on Sunday to take the second 3-t. "The Scots said that they had spent more time preparing for these matches then ever," Loweznowski said. "We have had four days" preparating in the last nine

months".

For the Scots, of course, the matches against the Auld Enemy are major occasions. They cannot afford the Spring Cup, although they are off next week to Portugal, where their matches include one against a Portuguese national selection.

England's womeo experi-enced similar results against the Scots, losing 3-1 on Saturday and winning 3-0 on Sunday, when the unforced errors which cost them dearly the previous day were by and large cut out.

Their Spring Cup competition is being held in Norway where they are drawn against Sweden, Austria and Norway II (whose results do not count towards the competition). Realistically, England must beat Austria to

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GOLF: University match (at Garnon).

SNOCICER: Car Care World Cup (at Boummonouth).

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latest pop music news.
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12.20 News After Noon with
Mora Stuart and Devid
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12.55 Regional news and weather.

1.00 Peloble Mill at One.
Today's edition includes the first British television interview of Wolf Rudiger Hess, the son of Rudolph Hess. He talks about his father a solitary life and his hopes that he may be allowed to spend his last years with his family. 1.45 years with his family. 1.45 King Rollo. (r) 1.50 Bris-s-

Brac. (r) 2.00 international Snooker. A World Cup match between Canada and the Rest of the World. (continued on BBC 2) 3.00 Centex 3.52 Regional news. 3.55 Lay on Five Floelia

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Benjamin joins pupils from
St Pauf's School,
Salisbury (r) 4.10
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with part five of Roald
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Choroles Factory 4.88 Chocolete Fectory 4.30 Secrets Out. Mike smith presents another of the odd hobbies quiz game. 4.55 Newsround Extra. Roger

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Finn reports on the
success of Kid's Ald,
instigated by pupils of St
Benediat's School,
Colchester,
5.18 Grange Hill. Episode 22
and Ant disappears.
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5.35 The Filhtutones. Certoon.
6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.

7.00 Wegen Toright's guests are Anthony Newley, George Martin and Cheryl Baker. Plus the first two songs in the contest to see who will represent Britain in this year's Song for Europe competition. They are performed by Palace and Vanity Fair. 7.30 Blankety Blank. Les Dawson's penel comprises Rory Bremner,

Harry Carpenter, Vince Hill, Ltz Robertson, Marit Webb, and Barbara Windsor, (r) 8.00 The Colbys. Sable takes off for New York in pursuit of an expensive Matiese.

of an expensive manase, leaving husband Jason in sister Francesca's threat (Ceetaxia, 1998). News with John Humphrys and Andrew Hervey.

Weather, 9.30 Deceptions, Episoda ons-of a two-part adaptation of Judith Michael's potboller about identical twins, one two children, the other, the owner of a country estate. with a rich lover, who

with a rich lover, who exchange roles for a week. Starring Stafanie Powers. (Ceelax).

11.00 World Figure Skating Championehips from Geneva, feaburing the Ladies' Free Programme.

11.35 Film: Sweet William (1879) starring Sam Waterson, Jenny Agutter, and Tim Pigott-Smith. Beryl Bainbridge's novel, adapted by the author, about a young woman who, after her fiance takes up a teaching post in the up a teaching post in the United States, moves into the London home of a divorced American
playwright A move that
proves to be her undoing.
Directed by Claude

ART GALLERIES.

TV-AM 6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Arms Diamond and Nick Owen, Exercises at 6.20; news with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 8.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; cartoon at a.35 and 7,34; carbon at 7,24; pop video at 7,54; Nigel Dempater 2 gossip column at 8,25; Jimmy Greaves 3 television highlights at 8,35; a recipe at 8,45; losing fat at 8,04; and tips on making life easier at 9,12.

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9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 For Schools: the natural history of the sea-shore 9.47 How We Used to Live: the General Strike of 1926 10.09 Mathematical ideas 10.26 Science: melting, treazing, and a scale of temperature 10.48 English: 17s My Life, by Emplesting 10.48
Emplish: It's My Life, by
Robert Lesson 11.15 How
plants, people and animals
react to spring and
summer 11.27 How
posters and pictures are
printed 11.44 The uses of

12.00 Benny. Adventures of an active dog (r) 12.10 Reinbow, Learning with pupoets.
12.30 Writers on Writing.
Richard Hoggart in
conversation with Dan

Jacobson. 1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news. Parkin 1.20 Thames neves.
Film: Information
Received\* (1965) starring
Sabina Sesselman,
William Sylvaster and
Hermione Baddeley.
Thriller about an
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Directed by Robert Lynn.

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3.00 let and Mrs. Carz game for couples, presented by Derek Batey 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sen and Daughters.
4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the programme shown at 12.10 4.15 James the Cat. Carboon series 4.25 Emu's Pink Windmill show with Rod Huit.

Free Programme of the World Figure Championships from Geneva.
5.45 News with Martyn Lewis.
8.00 The 6 O'Clock Show.
7.00 Albion Market, (Oracle)

7.00 Albion Marken, 107-7.30 Murder, Sie Wrote: Widow, Weep for Me. A desperate cry for help sends dessica to the aid of an old friend living in s tropical hotel, But by the time Jassica arrives her inte Jasaca arrives her old friend is no more and Jessica quickly gleans enough evidence about the deed to be warned off by the local constabulary. With Angela Lanbabury, Cyd Charlese and Mei

8.30 That's My Boy, Ide and Robert come to the aid of the village when a new bypass threatens the clem and tranquility of the place. (Oracle) 2.00 Auf Wiederseher, Pet.

After being thrown out of their local accommodation, the way to exact revenge from the landlord of the Barley Mow. (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and Pamela

Armstrong.

10.30 The Landon Programme.
Leading figures from the
soon-to-disappear GLC
are taken on a Thames
riverbus to discuss and
debate what the GLC achieved and what the future will be for London once it has been dissolved. Followed by LWT news headlines.

South of Watford. Hugh Laurie meets people who five in houses that have 11.00 So

200 years of history.

11.30 ice Skuting. The Ladies'
Free Programme from the
World Figure
Championships in Geneva. 12.30 Night Thoughts.

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Double take: Stefanic Powers in Deceptions (BBC1, 9.30pm)

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Education - Can You Hear Me? 7-20 Weekend Outlook, Ends at 7-25.

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9.35 Deytime on Two: basic
Spenish conversation 9.52
The Boy From Space
10.15 Maths: volume and
capacity 10.35 History:
Mary Queen of Scots
11.00 Birdwatzhing in
Scotland 11.22 How the
economic boom affected

economic boom affected the small Mississippl town of Greenville 11.44 How will Stave's job abroad affect his marriage? 12.05 The capabilities of

microcomputers 12.30 The pros and cons of sharing a

house with an elderly relative 12.55 Ceefax 1.10

Science: macromolecules 1.33 The making of the

1.35 The making of the talevision adaptation of Malcolm Bradbury's novel, The History Men 2.90 A film about fostering and adopting 2.30 How television cameras are used to shoot drama.

International Snooker continued from BBC 1.

News summary with subtities. Weather.

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5.30 Film: Barnaby and Me
(1970) starring Sid Caesar
and Juliet Mills. Comedy
about a con-man who
discovers a map that he
believes will lead him to
buried treasure. He

persuades a young woman and her daughter,

together with their pet koala bear, to accompany

him on his treasure hunt fari. Directed by Norman

programme of the series includes and a speed comparison of two new

models, the Commodore Amega and the Atari

Alton Byrd, the basketball playing businessman. Moment of Truth, The time

when action director David Tomblin needed his 1000

extras during a crucial moment in the making of the biblical epic, King

Grameners worke.
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the home and garden of Rosemary and Harry Graham-Vivian. The

the one Daphne du Maurier based the Mandalay setting in her novel, Rebecca.

Ludovic Kennedy are Michael Winner, Pattie Coldwell and Peter Fuller.

Colorell and Peter Fulley
They comment on
Hideaway, That's Life,
Thinking Aloud, and
Voices. In addition,
Nicholas Shalespeare,
The Times' deputy arts
aditor, analyses the
changing voice of the
BBC.

10.55 Neuranight 11.40
Weather.
11.45 International Snooker.
Highlights of the England v
Australia match. Ends at
1.06.

9.00 International Snooter.
England v Australia.
9.30 One Man and His Dog.
The first semi-final.
10.19 Did You See. 7 Johning

7.30 Ebony includes a profile of

7.00 Micro Live. This final

Ends at 2.50.

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8.30 Gard

 DECEPTIONS (BBC1:
9.30pm) opens with a couple making love in the cabin of a cruise ship. Their pleasure is short-lived for the ship is short-lived for the ship is blown up and the female partner killed. Then, in flashback, comes the real story, of identical comes the real story, of behaviors wins (both played by Stephanie Powers). Sabrina is a fun-loving jet-setter, Stephanie a frustrated New Jersey housewife married to a dull professor described as "the Christopher Columbus of genetic research". He must be dull because when sight

just for a week, they will impersonate each other. So Sabrina assumes the straight

CHANNEL 4

Brough Scott. Coverage o

2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Doncaster, introduced by

4.30 Cot

utter predictability: you can see the next line a mile away. • I'M VERY GLAD YOU ASKED ME THAT (Radio 4, ous pecause when a girl student stripe off in his study, he shows her the door. For reasons that have everything to do with plot but nothing with togic, our heroines decide that

CHOICE hair and flat heels and Steph turns hersalf into a glamour puss. The essence of this enjoyably daft mini-series (the second part is tomorrow) is its

11am) charts the history of the political interview from the deterential 50s to the Patrick Hannan, points out, radio and television has changed the face of electionsering and autiliates terror and and autiliary terror and and autiliary terror and and autiliary terror and and autiliary terror and autil politicians have come to accept that "a minute and a half with Robin Day is worth a formight on the doorstep". Almost singlehandedly Day introduced

the tougher style of questioning, though most of his customers are well able to look after themselves. There are some relishable clips, including a memorable tussle

> sublime piece of racio that it is easily taken from granted Alistair Cooke sent his first Letter on March 24 1946 and tonight's 40th anniversary edition is the 1,935th. The quality remains as Impressive as the quantity, a unique mixture of with the control of t and lightly worn arudition delivered with a masterly

> > Peter Waymark

Radio 4 5.55 am Shipping 6.00 News; Weather 6.10 Ferming 6.25 Payer (s) 6.30 Today, Incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News, 6.45

Brough Scott. Coverage of four races - the Haywards. Pickle Stakes (2.45); the Leger Way Handloap (3.15); the Racing Post Marsthon (3.45) and the Will Scott Handloap (4.15). Countdown. The number three seed, Anthony Butcher, takes on David Weller, seeded number six. News.
Desert Island Discs.
Michael Parkingon talks
to Ron Pickering (s).
Feedback, Chris Dunkley in present series. 10.00 News, international

weller, seeded number six.

5.00 Car 54, Where Are You?"
Vintage American comedy series about two incompetent policemen, this week attending the precinct Christmas perty.

5.30 The Tube presented by Jools Holland and Paula Yates. This week's edition includes a special Fifties feature celebrating the film Absolute Beginners. David Absolute Beginners. David Bowie is interviewed at length about his role and on whom it is based; the director, Julien Temple, talks about his film; and another of the stars, Pats Kensit, contributes. On the music front, Depeche Mode and New Order

7.00 Channel Four news and weather.
7.30 Right To Reply presented by Gus Macdonald. Colin MacCabe of the British Film institute claims that the BFI was grossly misrepresented by Thames Television's A

Turnip-head's Guide to the British Cinema. The programme's producers defend their work. What the Papers Say. The Guardian's Alan 8.00 Rusbridger casts his eye over how the Press has been treating the week's

8.15 A Week in Politica. This A Week in Politics. This last programme of the current series includes an assessment of the state of the Conservative Party at the end of Budget week, with the thoughts of Michael Heseltine and Dr Rhodes Boyson. Plus an interview with Norman Tebbit.

The Coaby Show. The first

9.00 The Coeby Show. The first 9.00 The Coeby Show. The first of a new comedy series starring Bill Coeby as the obstatrician happier at bringing babies into the world than dealing with them as they grow up.
9.30 How Does Your Garden Grow?, Philip Wood and David Wilson yisit Noel and Molly Sanderson's

Ballymoney garden.
(Oracle)
10.00 Cheers. Norm is shattered
when his next door
neighbour informs him that her husband and Norm's wife are having an affair. (Oracle) The third and final

documentary examines men's relationships with other men. (r) (Oracle) 11.30 Film: The Birthday Pa Film: The Birthday Party (1986) starring Robert Shaw, Harold Pinter's drama about an odd, lone lodger in a seaside boarding house who is suddenly threatened by the arrival of two men at the leafners. the lodgings. With Dandy Nichols, Patrick Magee, Moultrie Keisall and Sydney Tafler. Directed by William Friedkin. Ends at

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follows up listeners' comments on the BBC, last

10.00 News, International
Assignment. BBC
corresponents report.
10.30 Morning Story: Off-side
by Sean Lindey.
10.45 Daily Service (s).
11.00 News: Travel; I'm Very
Glad You Asked Me
That. The way the political
interview, both on Radio
and TV, has developed and
influenced politicians.
11.48 Hampshire Days. P J
Kavanagh reads an
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account of meeting s pair of adders from W H Hudson's Hampshire Days. 12.08 News; The Food Programme, Derek Cooper on organic tood. Son of Cliche, Comedy

12.27 Son of Cliche. Comedy show (s).
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers 1.55
Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. includes a report on how night-time patrols are discouraging prostitution in a Birmenghem suburb.
3.00 News; The Betrothed by Allesendro Manzoni (2) The Angel of Death. 4.80 News.

4.05 The News Huddlines. New series. Roy Hudd, June Whitfield and Chris mett laugh at the

news. 4.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 5.00 PM: News Magazine, 5.50 Shipping 5.55 6.00 News; Financial Report.
6.30 Going Places, The world of travel and transport.
7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

BBC1 WALES 5.35pm-8.00 Sportfolio, 1.05am-1.10 News and weather, SCOTT, AND 10.05am-10.30 Conference 85.10-5.30 Conference 86.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland 7.35-8.05 Tomorow's World 8.05-8.10 Ringing Stoops 11.35-23 Obsert, Jet John and

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News, Closedown.

between Day and Mrs Thatcher over prescription • LETTER FROM AMERICA (Radio 4, 9.50pm) is such a

command of language.

7.20 Pick of the Week with
Margaret Howard (s).
8.20 Stop Press, Nigel Rees
examines this week's
rewspapers.
8.45 Any Questions? John
Moore, MP, Brian
McArthur, Geoffray
Robinson, MP, and Polity
Taynbee tackle questions
from the audience in
Blewbury, Oxfordshire.
9.30 Letter from America by
Alistair Cooke.
9.45 Kaleidoscope, With Paul
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Tonight.
11.30 Week Ending. A satirical review of the week's

review of the week's news.

12.00 -12.15em News;
Weather: 12.33 Shoping.

VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00em Weathe Travel: 11.00-12.00 For Schools, 5.50-6.55 PM (continued) 12.30-1.10em Schools Night-time Broadcasting: 12.30 Radio Geography, 12.50 Living Language.

Radio 3

6.55am Waather, 7.00 News 7.05 Morning Concert: Hande (Concerto Grosso In B flat major, Op 3, No 2), Purcell (Behold the Man). Purcell (Behold the Man),
Mendelssohn (Caprice in A
minor, Op 16, No 1),
Haydn, arr Salomon
(Symphony No 100 in G
major). 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert (contd):
Berlioz (Overture: Le

carnaval romain, Op 9), Schumann (Konzertstück for four homs and orchestra, Op 86), Grenados (Allegro de concierto), Tchiakovsky (Cappricio italienne, Op 45, cond Rostropovich), 9.00

10.00 This Week's Composer: Glazunov, Piano Concerto No 1, In F minor, Op 92, Idylle, Op 103, Sexophone Concerto In E flat, Op 103, Eugene Rosseau (saxophone).

10.00 Dennis Lee (piano) Rachmaninov (Two Preludes: in G, Op 32 No 5: in B minor, Op 32, No 10). Scriabin (Sonata No 4, in F sharp), Debussy (Pagodes; Reflets dans I'eau). Szymanowski

(Masques). 10.50 J C Bach and Handel. Langham Chamber Orchestra and BBC Singers with Tracey Chadwell (soprano) Ashlay Stafford (counter-tenor) Neil Mackenzie (tenor) Jonathan Robarts (bass). J C Bach's Sintonia in G minor, Op 6, No 6 and Handel's Wedding Anthem (1738). 11.25 Haydn and

stakovich, Havdn Piano trio in E flat and Shostakovich Piano Trio in E minor, Op 67. Midday Prom, live, with the SBC Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by 12.25 M Martin Turnovsky, Martin Roscoe (piano), Part one: Schumenn (Overture: Julius Caesar), Martinu (Symphony No 3), 1,00

News. 1.05 Musical Times Past. Victorian music-making, 1.20 Midday Prom, part two. Beethoven's Plano Concerto No 5, in E flat major (Emperor). 2.05 Japanese Music for

2.05 Japanese Music for shakuhachi and koto played by members of the Nihon Ongaku Shudan. 2.25 -7.15(MW only) Croket: Third Test. West Indies v England.
2.25 East end West, Revel:
Fanlare (L'éventail de Jeanne); Une barque sur l'océan (Miroirs). Takemitsu: Karasuki and Subaru. Debussy:

Nocturnes. 3.25 W F Bach Keyboard Music. Fantasie No 7, in E minor; Polonaise No 6, in E flat minor (F12 No 6); Sonata No 4, in D major (F 4).

Alan Cuckston. 4.00 Choral Evensong. 4.55 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. 6.30 Music for Gultar. Recorded at the 1985 Recorded at the 1985
Esztergom International
Guitar Festival. Bach
(Allemande, Lute Suite No 3,
BWV 995), Ponce
(Gavotte and Gigue, Suite in
A), Coste (Andante and
Polonaise), Granados
(Spanish Dance No 5),
Ginastera (Sonata, Op 47,
first and fourth
movements).

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7.00 They Diad Alone. Claude Lanzmann on his nine-hour film on the holocaust,

nour film on the holocaust, Shoah.

7.30 Ruth Geiger (piano) live from the Broadcasting Centra, Birmingham, Pertone: Haydn's Sonata in E flat and Beethoven's Sonata in A flat, Op 110.

8.10 Django, Karfunkelstein and Roses, Short story by Norman Levine.

8.30 Ruth Geiger part two Schurnann's Schumann's

Davidsbündlertänza. Op 6. 9.15 English Sacred Music. BBC Northern Singers. conductor Stephen Wilkinson, George Oldroyd (Sabat Meter Dolorose), Norman Suckling (Mass for eight voices), Herbert Howells

the First World War.

11.00 Nocturne. RimskyKorsakov (Overture: May
Night). Barber (Dover
Beach). Field (Pastorale
in E). Dvorak (Song to the
Moon). Haydn
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News on the hour (except 9.00pm) Headlines 5.30am, 5.30, 7.30 and 8.30. Cricket: Third Test: West Indies v England. Reports from Bridgetown, Barbados at 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 5.02, 6.45 (mf only),

4.02 5.05, 6.02 6.45 (m) only),
9.55.
4.00am Colin Berry (s) 8.00 Ray
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problems answered by Andrew
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3.30 Music All The Way (s) 4.00
David Hamilton Incl today's two
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8.00 Friday Night is Music Night
from the Hippodrome, Golders
Green, London (s) 9.15 The
Organist Entertains with Nigel
Ogden (s) 9.55 Sports Desk
10.00 Casde's Corner (Roy Castle)
10.30 Cynthia Glover sings
11.00 Stuart Hall (stereo from
midright) 1.00am Bib Rennells
presents Night idea (s) 3.00-4.00 A
Little Night Music (s).

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News on the half-hour from 6.30em until 9.30pm and at 12.00 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12.00 midnight 6.00am Adrian John 7.30 Mike Read 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 12.45 Simon Mays 3.00 Paul Jordan direct from the Ideal Home Exhibition, Earls Court 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.30 Andy Peobles 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show (s) WHF RADIOS 1 & 2 4.00 As Radio 2 10.00pm As Radio 1 12.00-4.00 As Radio 2

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will now have to consider the feelings of their players and some compromise seems

#### A record year for old firm

**Ballesteros** 

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Severiano Ballesteros's

hopes of being reinstated to the US PGA tour have in-creased following a meeting here at which his fellow-

professionals supported the

case for his ban to be lifted.

Bernhard Langer and Nick

players who heard Ballestero

put his case prior to the first

round of the New Orleans Classic, which was washed out

by rain yesterday. The first round will now be today, with

The upshot of the players

meeting may be either that the

Spaniard will be reinstated to

the tour or the rule requiring Europeans to compete in at

least 15 tournaments will be

felt were important and said

agreed Gary McCord, a mem-

ber of the tournament policy

board. "We got a lot of input

from foreign players about the tour and about the guidelines

they are required to perform

Earlier, Ballesteros had

explained."I was never aware

of the rules. The first thing I

knew about it (a possible expulsion) was when Mr

Beman wrote to me last

August. I thought I'd lose my

actual membership but be able

to go back to the previous rule

by which I played under

Mr Beman and his board

sponsors' exemptions.

he felt that he was wronged,

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changed.

36 holes played on Sunday.

68, which equalled the record for the event, propelled Belle Robertson and Mary McKenna to a deserved victory in the 21st Avia Watches women's foursomes championships at The Berkshire yesterday. Mrs Robertson, who won the British Open strokeplay nife last year at the age of 49. and Mrs. McKenna, who is

seeking this year to gain a record ninth appearance in the Curis Cup, came from three strokes behind overnight to lead by four strokes.

round in the afternoon of the Red Course, Mrs Robertson and Miss McKenna could afford to play conservatively and a closing 79 gave them a record-equalling 72-hole aggregate of 298 - six over parand a two-shot win over Linda Bayman and Maureen Gar-

Mrs Robertson and Miss

LEADING SCORES: 298: | C

\*\*\* TIMES

# England need 250-run start

between England and West Indies, sponsored by Cahle and Wireless, were 10 be played on handicap. England might expect a start of 250 runs or thereabouts. The figure would be calculated on the present form of Gower's side gland but for the last decade in

They have played five Tests here in that time and won them all by huge margins nine wickets and the other (against England in 1980-81) hy 298 runs. The only side to have made more than 280 against them in these five Tests were Australia in 1983-84, and their punishment for daring to score 429 in their first innings was to be bowled out for 97 in the second.

Of the 97 wickets taken hy West Indies at Bridgetown in this period, 92 were accounted for hy speed. 57 of these hy Holding, Marshall and Gar-ner, who are playing today. Taking away that one innings against Australia. West Indies have picked up a wicket every six overs in the last 10 years in

For a side playing well England's task would be daunting enough. As it is, there is almost nothing in their record to inspire confidence. They will be hopelessly outgunned for pace and are without Gatting, whose bat-ting and influence in the field were a factor in making 1985 a good year for England. On a pitch that is sure to be bouncy it would have been madness to risk Gatting's recently broken thumb. He still finds it uncomfortable even to hit catches at fielding practice.

There was further bad news vesterday when Ellison, who has had a stomach bug, found that one lap of the ground was all he could manage. With Taylor and Smith also unfit Taylor and Smith also unfit for consideration, and the selectors deciding to stand by

There is a natural tendency among the old England players currently in Barbados,

Downton, this meant that one from Edmonds. Emburey and Slack had to be left out.

Eventually, because lastminute efforts are being made to make the pitch less hairy for fear of a quick finish. Slack was the one to go. It must have counted, too, that England were at their best in the field in and West Indies' recent were at their best in the field in record, not only against En-the last Test when Edmonds and Emhurey were bowling logether. England are seldom so clearly outplayed as they were in Wednesday's one-day international. The disparity between the two sides is

exaggerated by the inconsisient bounce of the modern Bridgetown pitch. Hence the fact that while West Indies could make a highly entertaining 249 for seven in 46 overs, England's batsmen came back complaining of the difficulty of timing the ball. The only way to stop shoot-

ers bowled at the pace of the one from Marshall which hit the base of Gower's stumps is to get on to the front foot, and est way to be hit in the face by one that lifts. It is a measure of Gooch's quality, as well as of the problems of batting here against West Indies, let alone of how much he means to England, that the only hundred scored in those last five Tests against West Indies in Bridgetown was his in 1980-81, when he made 116 out of England's second innings total

It seems to me that the one realistic chance England have of winning this match is by bowling first today and, by making full use of the conditions, getting West Indies on the run. Since the middle Seventies, when they started to let the grass grow on the pitch to suit the West Indian fast bowlers, no side has won the toss here and batted first. Perhaps a fairer handicap than 250 runs might be for England

to be given choice of innings.

**ICE SKATING** 

most of them as couriers to touring groups, to think that England are letting their followers down, and that they themselves would have done better. The couriers include Trevor Bailey, Denis Compton, Mike Denness, Godfrey Evans, Tom Graveney, Colin Milhum and John Snow. Peter May is also here. But none of them when they came as players had to contend with the sort of attack on the sort of pitch that obtains now.

England go into today's game having been beaten by Windward Islands and Barbados, as well as by West Indies, four times (in the first two Tests and two of the three oneday internationals). By the time May's side bad been in West Indies for a similar length of time they had chalked up a dozen first-class hundreds. That was in 1959-

The top first-class score by the present team is Gatting's 80 against Jamaica on February 13. England are a badly shaken side. For most of the tour their practising has left much to be desired. Botham is a shadow of himself at his best and he sees, reads and hears the world turning against him. The hesitancy of their running between wickets reflects the team's state of mind. Gower's impassive, rather inflexible style of leadership is suited to ess demanding situations. Up the road Boycott prac-

tises hard against Franklyn Stephenson, Hartley Alleyne and Ricardo Ellcock, three fast bowlers who bave played for Barbados and spare him nothing. But in the corresponding Test match to this, five years ago, even he was out twice in 10 balls for nought and one. It is hard not to be apprehensive, therefore, about today, even while hoping for the best.

ENGLAND: G A Gooch, R T Hobinson.D I Gower, P Willey, A J Lamb, IT Botham, PR Downton, J E Emburey, P H Edmonds, J G Thomas, N A Foster. 12th man: W N Slack.



First blood to the bookmakers: Macs Reef (nearest camera), the outsider of four, races away from Tremblant and Bold Arrangement (checked cap) to win the feature event on the opening day of the Flat season at Doncaster. Racing, page 29 (Photograph: Inn Stewart)

#### SNOOKER

#### **Wales into** last four as Griffiths

excels By Sydney Friskin

Wales, who were winners in 1979 and 1980, reached the semi-finals of the World Team Championship at Bournemouth yesterday after beating Scotland 5-1. The event, sponsored this year by Car Care Plan, carries a winning prize

Doug Mountjoy gave Wales an encouraging start by beat-ing Murdo McLeod 2-0. He seized the first frame with a brown-to-black clearance and came through with another run on the colours in the

Eddie Sinclair then raised Scotland's hopes by taking a frame off Ray Reardon. Sinclair started with a break of 49 next frame to give Wales a 3-1

Terry Griffiths sealed the match for Wales by beating the left-handed Jim Donnelly, 2-0. Griffiths took an early grip on the first frame and consolidated his position with a break of 82 in the second.

Cliff Thorburn, Kirk Stevens and Bill Werbeniuk, who represent Canada, will be confronted today by the mysteries of the orient when they play Tony Drago, of Malta, Omprakash Agrawal, from India and Sakchai Sim-Ngam, of Thailand, who make up the Rest of the World. All three are in their first season as professionals hut their talent has already drawn the attention of most professionals.

Drago, aged 20, has played in the Rothmans Grand Prix tournament and the UK Championship butneither Agrawal (30) nor Sim-Ngam (33) bas played in a televized tournament. QUARTER-FINALS: Wales bt Sco

rand, 5-1 (Weish names first): D Mountjoy bt M McLeod, 59-50, 65-35; R Reardon drew with E Sinclair, 50-58, 60-35; T Griffiths bt J Donnety, 83-15, 83-22.

#### **TENNIS**

#### Another victory for Dyke

Brussels (AP) - Broderick Dyke, of Australia, followed his surprise 6-3, 6-3 victory over the Wimbledon champion, Boris Becker, on Wednesday by beating Libor Pimek. of Czechoslovakia, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3 yesterday to reach the quarter-finals of the Belgian indoor championships.

Dyke, aged 25 and ranked 109th in the world, quickly lost the opening set, but found the stamina to fight back to take the next two and complete victory in a match which lasted more than two hours.

FIRST ROUND: G Forget (Fr) bt H Sundstrom (Swe) 6-1, 8-0; B Dyke (Aus) bt B Becker (WG) 6-3, 6-3, SECOND ROUND: A Jarryd (Swe) bt M Vajda (Cz) 3-6, 6-0, 6-3; K Curren (US) bt T Smid (Cz) 7-8, 6-3; J Nystrom (Swe) bt J Bates (GB) 6-1, 3-6, 7-5. ◆ NEW YORK (UPI) - Chris

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FIRST ROUND (US unless stated): C
Lloyd bt B Potter 6-2, 6-4; H Sukova
(Cz) bt K Rinaldi 6-7, 6-3, 7-6; P
Shriver bt C Bessett (Can) 6-3, 6-0.

#### Soviet green light spares the red faces in England destination might be, go via

After a seemingly intermi-nable delay, the Football As-sociation at last confirmed yesterday that England's fixture against the Soviet Union is to take place as planned in Thilisi next Wednesday. The threat of cancellation was lifted when permission to travel directly to and from the southern state of Georgia was officially received from the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

The confusion lasted until less than 72 hours before Bobby Robson's squad was scheduled to leave on Sunday. A Soviet telex which arrived at Lancaster Gate yesterday morning was written in En-glish but might as well have been scribed in hieroglyphics for all its clarity.

path that excluded visits to Moscow, had yet again to seek further clarification. Its subsequent arrival not only saved Robson's World Cup preparations from a withering setback, hut also spared the English authorities from deep embarrassment.

Since qualifying for the finals, England have played in Egypt and Israel. With only the domestic skirmish against Scotland and the relatively gentle outings against Guada-lajara and Canada to come, the Soviets represented the lone genuinely meaningful opponents in the build-up to Mexico.

If the match had been called off, as had seemed more than en, wherever their eventual

Belgians refuse to admit Scotland

Brussels — Scotland will not be allowed to play against Belgium here in next year's Enropean Championship, the Minister of the Interior, Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb, said yesterday (a Correspondent writes). M. Nothomb said the game, scheduled for April 1, would either have to be played outside the country or in an empty ground.

English clubs are currently

banned from all European com-petition following the European Cap final disaster in Brussels last year, but the suspension does not apply to Scottish clubs or the national team. • Ernie Walker, the Scottish FA sec-retary, could see no reason why the Belgians should associate Scotland with what happened in Brossels last May (Clive White writes). Mr Walker said: "This is the problem of the Belgian FA, not ours. The fushion in which they wish to play us, whether it be behind closed doors or outside Belgium, is up to them. All I know is that they have an obligation to play us home and away."

likely, the England squad would probably have gone to Bisham Abbey for several largely irrelevant training sessions. Although the Swedish and Swiss associations had been contacted, the chances of rearranging an international at such short notice were regarded privately as remote.

It was brave, perhaps fool-hardy, of England's officials to take the diplomatic risk. The visiting sportsmen and wom-

Moscow.

That fate has befallen three

members of the squad Cowans, of Bari, and Hateley and Wilkins, of AC Milan cannot fly straight to Thilisisince they will be on a scheduled flight from Italy. They will travel for 24 hours and join their colleagues on Tuesday.

A similar detour would have added another 3,000 niles and an extra day to an already lengthy journey of some 6,000 miles for the rest of the England players. They would not have returned home until Friday and would then have stumbled, red-eyed and exhausted, into the demanding domestic club-progranume over the Easter weekend

As it is, the four representanves mom e vertou fied for the Screen Sport Super Cup final on Wednesday, will scarcely be fresh for the more relevant Canon League fixtures against Newcastle United next Saturday and particularly at Manchester. United the following Monday. Nor will Arsenal's trio be ideally prepared for the derby at Tottenham Hotsour or the visit to Watford.

The championship ambitions of Tottenham and Southampton, the only other

clubs with more than one representative in the party disappeared long ago. Queen Park Rangers are still not assured of avoiding relegation, and their captain, Fenwick, may not be as lively as usual against Oxford United and another collision with Chelsea.

# Soviets usually insist that for the Milk Cup final preview

#### Why FA should be eyeing the man from Barcelona angry with his team at half-time for losing their nerve.

From David Miller, Turin

For the first time since Jimmy Hogan and others some 50 years ago, an English coach is the most wanted man in European football, and on account of his achievements outside the environment of the British game. By taking Barcelona to the

semi-finals of the European Cup at the expense of Juventus, the bolders and world club champions, Terry Venables has earned universal acclaim. Speculation is rife that he will be leaving Barcelona; that he is to join, among others, Tottenham Hotspur; that a dozen positions are available.

It would be surprising, how-ever, if Venables did not discreetly hold his band to await the outcome of England's fortunes in the World Cup. It is uncertain as yet whether the FA will extend Bobby Robson's contract. If England do not perform with distinction in Mexico, the FA may be inclined to ask Robson if he will continue as director of national coaching while they appoint a younger team

Venables is revealing the kind of tactical co-ordination which, vitally, wins matches away from home: recall the fate of Ramsey and Revie in Italy and too often of Greenwood away from Wembley.

The measure of Barcelona's performance, winning the onarter-final 2-1 on aggregate, is that Juventus in the second ieg played like genuine world champions. For 20 minutes at the start it seemed that they would swamp the opposition that the single goal by which Barcelon led from the first leg Venables 'will leave in June'

Terry Venables will leave. Barcelona in June, a club spokesman announced yesterday. The spokesman, who refused to be identified, said 44-year-old Venables had already written to the club president saying he would not be renewing his present contract.

In the letter, it was said, Venables also explained he was leaving the club because of "family problems". He had been offered an improved new two-year contract, but had rejected it. The Barcelona report suggests Venables has set his sights on a return to England, although it is understood that Juventus, whose manager is to leave at the end of the season, are interested in tempting the Englishman to Turin.

would prove no more effective than a log used to dam a flooding river. The creative imagination of Platini and Landrup was inspirational.

Yet, thanks to an heroic performance by the 35-yearold Migueli at the heart of defence, and to abysmal nissed chances from six yards by the reserve Juventus centre-forward Pacione, somehow Barcelona survived to find their equilibrium in the last

half hour. Venables considers that whichever side Barcelona must play in the semi-finals they would not provide as severe a test as the three they have already beaten. Bohemians of Prague, Porto and now the champions. But he said

should do what we had set out to do, to play football ourselves," he said. "We'd got to give Juventus something to fear, to try for another goal ourselves on their ground, so as to make them even more frantic. I know they missed two easy chances, which fell to a reserve player, but that's how it goes. When you consider how many players we had absent over the two matches. I thought we descrived what we For another 10 minutes

"I had to insist that we

after half-time Javentus were buoyed by the goal from Platini in the 46th minute which had cut back the twogoal lead established by Archibald's far-post header a quarter of an hour earlier.
Archibald had played with
masterly positional sense,
searching for the rare flaw in
Juventus's defence, and his second half injury miserably ruled him out of Scotland's match against Romania next week, as well as making him the most doubtful of Barcelona's injured for the semi-final first leg on April 2. Schuster and Roje could be fit

for the second leg.
With half an hour to go the authority of Juvenius had, waned, their marvellously controlled playing had become rufiled. Barcelona recovered

"It was the old saying about having nothing to lear except fear itself," Alban Harris, Venables's assistant, said. "We'd worked so hard on our players before the tie to make them believe it was possible to

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By Mitchell Platts A marvellous third round of

So in the fourth and final

McKenna took command with eight birdies in the morning on the Blue Course five of them in an outstanding outward half of 31

Robertson and M McKarme, 76, 75, 68, 79, 300; J E Bayeren and J Garner, 76,72,75,77, 306; P John-Sales, 70,72,75,77; 30c; 9 3071-500 and L. Behan, 72, 76, 79, 78, 306: S. Moorerak and 7 Hammond, 75, 79, 79, 73, 310; J. Hill; and J. Morley, 77, 78, 78, 77; 312; P. Smille and J. Collingham, 80, 76, 77, 78, 314; K. Mitchell and N. Way, 81, 77, 77, 78; D. Henran and C. Gueller, 72, 87, 78 D Henson and C Haylar, 75 51 79 78: C Caldwell and L Singson, 77, 74, 75, 88, 315: H Dobson and A Johns, 74, 82, 78, 80.

Thomas close to world title and resisted a late challenge by The FA, who on Wednesday From John Hennessy, Geneva Reardon, who missed a long evening had repeated their yesterday, 13th and Elizabeth pink. But Reardon won the placing the optional triple toe request for a shortened flight

We shall see what Debbi loop (in her case) after the Thomas, the United States compulsory double loop. But figure-skating champion, is she brought it off splendidly. made of this evening. She has drawn the limelight and the Susan Jackson, the lone British representative, may pressure on herself hy estabnot be able to compete with lishing a clear lead in the the women's free skating. She world championship here after the first two stages of the is unwell and will see a doctor competition. The title is hers this morning. for the taking if she is hig

Natalya Bestemianova and Andrei Bukin suffered another It will now require at least setback yesterday. After their two people to beat her in the defeat in one of the compulfree skating for her to be sory dances the day before, they were outskated in the denied the accolade that so many people seem anxious to original set pattern by their younger compatriots from Moscow, Marina Klimova Miss Thomas, trained by a and Sergei Ponomarenko. The Scot. Alex McGowan, in San Francisco, moreover chose a two British couples took up perilous route to the combina- 14th and 15th position, but tion jump, usually the crucial retained their previous places element, in Wednesday overall, Sharon Jones and

yesterday, 13th and Elizabeth Coats and Alan Abretti 16th: ICE DANCE: Original set pattern: 1, M Klimova and S Ponomarenko (USSR) 0.4pt; 2, N Besternianova and A Bukin (USSR) 0.8; 3, N Annenko and G Sretensky (USSR) 1.2; 4, T Wilson and R McCall (Can) 1.6; 5, S Semanick and S Gretony Annenko and G Stretrisky (USSn)
1.2: 4, T Wilson and R McCall (Can)
1.6: 5, S Semanick and S Gregory
(US) 2.0: 6, R Roca and D Adair (US)
2.4. British placings: 14, S Jones
and P Askham 5.6: 15, E Coates and
A Abretti 6.0. After two events: 1,
Bestemianova and Bukin, 1.4pt; 2,
M Kimova and S Ponomarenko 1.6:
3, Annenko and G Sretensky 3.0: 4,
Wilson and McCall 4.0: 5, Semanick
and Gregory 5.0: 6, Roca and Adair
6.0. British placings: 13, Jones and
Abretti 15.6. Short programme: 1, D
Thomas (US) 0.4pt; 2, A
Kondrasheva (USSR) and T Chim
(US) 0.8: 4, K Witt (EG) 1.6: 5, C
Leistner (WG) 2.0: 6, K tranova
(USSR) 2.4. British placing: 16, S.
Jackson, 6.4. After two events: 1, D
Thomas, 2.6: 2, K tranova, 3.0: 3, T
Chinn, 3.2: 4, K Witt, 3.4: 5, A
Kondrasheva, 4.4: 6, C. Leistner,
7.4. British placing: 17, S Jackson,
17.2.

night's short programme, Paul Askham, who had a fall

SPORT IN BRIEF

## Feeling the strain

enough and strong enough.

bestow on her.

Earnonn Martin's withdrawal with an adductor strain is a severe setback for England's chances of regaining the world cross country team title in Neuchâtel. Switzerland. on Sunday. Martin was one of five current and former English national champions in the team which will still mount their strongest challenge to the Ethiopians, who have won for the last five years.

Martin said yesterday: "It's New ground not a serious injury; it's just come at exactly the wrong time." There is a possibility that Martin will travel with the team and hope that the injury to his left leg will respond to rest and treatment. But he thought it unlikely yesterday, in which case Kevin Capper from Liverpool, the first re-

#### serve, will take his place.

Liverpool run Dawn Run, the Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, will have her next race at Liverpool on April 3 in preference to the Irish Grand National three days earlier. Her objective is the £12,000 Whithread Gold Label Cup on the opening day of the Grand National

#### Roberts talks

The Tottenham manager Peter Shreeve, yesterday held peace talks with his England defender, Graham Roberts, and is confident that he can keep him happy at White Hart lane. Roberts asked for a 3,000 athletes from nearly 50 transfer this week because of



#### Martin: setback

The amateur golf championship will break new ground in 1989 when it is played at Royal Birkdale for the first time since the event began more than 100

1989 DATES: June 5-10: Amateur 1989 DATES: June 5-10: Amateur championship, Royal Birkdale, July 16-17: Open championship final qualifying, Glasgow Gailes, Kilmarnock Varassie, Prestwick St Nicholas, Western Geiles, July 20-22: Open championship, Royal Troon. August 9-11: Seniors championship and interactionals. Naim August 9-19: Algust 5-11: Sentits trianguist 22-26: Youths championship and inter-nationals, Ashburnham. August 16-17: Walker Cup, Peach Tree, USA.

#### 1 ax toast

John Lowe will be more grateful than most for the Budget's income tax reduction. England's darts captain yesterday signed a lucrative sponsor-ship with the Federation

#### Goodwill show Moscow (Reuter) - Some

and the committee are confident they will find the necessary sponsors to reach their nations bave entered the target of £250,000. They intend Goodwill Games in Moscow to it "the best ever".

#### flights and accommodation for the teams remain as last year. Prague boost Alan Cooke, the England number three, has recovered from a hamstring injury and will play in the European table tennis championships in Prague from April 5 to 13.

from July 4-20. The games

sponsored by a US television

network, will centre round

clashes between the top Soviet

The Isle of Man will stage

this year's Rugby League Char-

ity Shield game after all. The

management committee made

a surprising about-turn on

their decision to switch the

game on August 24 from

Douglas to a venue in the north of England. The sponsor-

ing brewery on the Isle of Man,

Okells, have raised the orize

money by £1,000 to £5,000:

and guarantees regarding air

and American athletes.

As you were

Desmond Douglas, who leads the England chase for titles, will decide after the championships whether to stay in Britain or accept one of the lucrative contract offers he has had from

High hopes Despite a shortfall of £150,000 in the amount needed to run this year's world fourin-hand driving championships, at Ascot from August 13-17. Prince Philip, the president of the championships, said yesterday that he

Lloyd had three consecutive service breaks as she defeated Barbara Potter 6-2, 6-4, on Wednesday night in the first round of the Virginia Slims championships.